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OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AFP) — Israeli attempts to close down Palestinian institutions in Jerusalem are threatening to destroy the Middle East peace process, a senior Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) official warned on Saturday, Faisal Husseini, the de facto Palestinian minister for Jerusalem, appealed to Israel to stop harassing Palestinian organisations in the city. "We are determined to lift the Israeli siege, which aims to cut off Jerusalem from the Palestinians of the West Bank, the people of Jerusalem from their institutions, and to isolate the city from the international community," he said. Mr. Husseini was speaking at a joint Israeli-Palestinian rally of 150 intellectuals and pacifists at the Orient House, the PLO headquarters in east Jerusalem. He told AFP that if Israel succeeded in closing the Orient House it would result in "the destruction of the peace process because that would mean Jerusalem is no longer negotiable, contrary to what was stipulated in the Oslo accord." OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AFP) - Israeli attempts to close

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Israeli planes attack Hizbollah in Lebanon

SIDON (AFP) — Israeli planes raided a hilltop stronghold controlled by Hizbollah guerrillas in South Lebanon on Saturday in revenge for a bomb attack on a pro-Israeli militiaman, security in revenge for a bomb attack on a pro-Israeli militiaman, security sources said. The Israel army said the planes, which all returned safely, destroyed one of the group's bases in the Iqlim At Toufah heights. An Israeli fighter-bomber hit Louaizeh hill in the heights, 50 kilometres southeast of Beirut, with two air-to-ground missiles, according to Lebanon police who said there were no casualties. The raid followed a bomb attack by guerrillas on the pro-Israeli South Lebanon Army militia of Soueida in the centre of the Jewish state's self-declared security zone in South Lebanon which left one militiamen wounded tage mage 12). A small pro-Iranian group the militiamen wounded (see page 12). A small pro-tranian group, the Faithful Resistance, which is chose to Hizbollah but independent, said it carried out the raid and claimed there were several victims but there was no independent confirmation of the claim.

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AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown

Prince Hassan on Saturday opened the third Jordanian

'Science Week'' entitled,

"Earth resources — ways to

out them to better use," by

urging scholars to help meet

the Kingdom's needs in the next century, which will wit-

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In view of the rapid changes and developments in

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Prince Hassan told the open-

ing session of the meeting held at the Royal Cultural

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This meeting offers a

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The advanced technology,

he said, hinges on a de-

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Spranger opens talks in Syria

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DAMASCUS (R) - German Economic Cooperation and Development Minister Carl-Dieter Spranger opened talks on Saturday with Syrian officials which included dis-cussion of Syria's \$640 million debt to Germany, offi-cials said. They said Mr. Spranger and Syrian Economic Minister Mohammad Imadi also reviewed Germany's participation in a number of economic development projects in Syria. A German spokesman said Mr. Spranger, on a regional tour, would also discuss how Germany could contribute to Arab-Israeli peace talks. Mr. Spranger arrived here from

Gaza airport gets go-ahead

GAZA CITY (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat gave the go-ahead Saturday for the construction of an airport on 600 acres of land in the southern Gaza Strip, a Palestinian government official said. The landowners have protested against the planned expropriation of their property, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Egypt lifts ban on play

CAIRO (AFP) — Egyptian Culture Minister Faruq Hosni on Saturday lifted a ban he imposed on an antigovernment play after the director agreed to stick by a version authorised by the censor, sources close to the ministry said. Galal Al Sharqawi, the director of "A Constitution! Gentlemen," agreed in writing to abide by the censor's conditions after the play was banned on Wednesday, the same sources said.

Cyprus police on 'militant alert'

NICOSIA (R) — Police in Cyprus are on a security alert after intelligence sources said an outlawed Arab militant group was planning attacks on the island, a police spokesman said on Saturday. We recently received information that this Arab group is planning to carry out attacks on foreign interests and murder foreigners living in Cyprus," Savvas Anto-niades said. He declined to name the group. Security has been tightened around embassies of Israel, several Arab states and some Westem countries.

Iran daily confirms diplomats' expulsion

TEHRAN (AFP) - A newspaper here confirmed on Saturday the expulsion of two Iranian diplomats by Germany, reported earlier by an Iranian opposition group. Without giving any sources, Kayhan daily said Germany had ordered the diplomats to leave the country in a suspicious and insulting move. "This surprising move will definitely have a negative impact on relations between the two countries." The daily, close to anti-Western, Islamic hardliners, urged the Foreign Ministry to "respond firmly with a similar measure to defend the dignity of the Islamic republic.

Iran to hold Majlis

NICOSIA (AP) — Iran will hold elections for its 270-member Majlis, or parliament, March 8 with wider political freedoms, a senior official announced Saturday. The official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, quoted Deputy Interior Minister Ali Reza Tabesh as saying that candidate registration will begin shortly. "Candidates from all groups and factions are permitted to join the elections individually and independent from such groups or factions once their eligibility is ention boards," Mr. Tabesh de clared. He pledged "more political and social freedoms" before the poll.

Banks allowed to invest, lend in foreign currency

CBJ move seen to reflect confidence in economy and strength of the dinar

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — The Central Bank of Jordan (CBJ) has removed restrictions on banks investing their foreign exchange holdings in international capital markets and lending for local investment

A CBJ circular, sent to all commercial banks last week, said banks were free to invest 50 per cent of their foreign currency holdings in triple A rated international corporate bond issues and in U.S., German, Japanese, Swiss and British treasury bonds.

The memorandum also told the commercial banks they were permitted to use up to 50 per cent of clients deposits in foreign currency to finance development pro-

A CBJ statement said that the step, seen as reflecting high confidence in the economy and the status of the Jordanian dinar, was taken in a bid to serve the interests of the depositors and the commercial banks as well as to benefit the national economy.

The statement said commercial banks were now allowed to:

companies and public and private institutions for invest-ment in industrial, agricultural and tourism projects as well as export-oriented operations and infrastructure projects with CBJ approval.

- Enter into partnership in syndicated loans inside the Kingdom or abroad for Jordanian projects. In the latter case, the partnership would be limited for short and medium terms not exceeding five years. The CBJ said that the deci-

sion will allow local banks to invest foreign currency and make profits with the least risk, and will provide loans in foreign currency to finance infrastructure, exports, tourism, agriculture and other projects and will eventually ensure further income to Jordan in foreign exchange.

The statement said that the move was in line with the CBJ's drive to liberalise currency regulations and lift restrictions on foreign currency. It said the move will offer borrowers the chance to benefit from the foreign currency reserves of the Kingdom, which have reached \$3 billion ign currency holdings, gold

including all forms of fore-

It said that the move would open the door for moneychangers to expand foreign currency operations in the country. The circular also allowed

commercial banks: — To buy government bonds, treasury bills and bonds issued by public institutions in the United States, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom and Switzerland in currencies of the respective countries provided the maturity of such

bonds do not exceed 10

- To buy bonds and treasury bills issued by regional and international institutions and prime companies for periods not exceeding 10 years in currencies mentioned above.

- To buy Jordanian government bonds in foreign currency without maturity limit.

The CBJ also allowed banks operating in Jordan to conduct inter-bank borrowing of foreign currency to cover its current payments or

The statement noted that the CBJ allows non-resident citizens to keep accounts with local banks in any amount of

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--- Grant loans in Jordan to U.S. beefs up its forces in Gulf; Iraq says reports were wrong

and receivables - rather

than resorting to foreign mar-

Combined agency dispatches

AROUND 28,000 U.S. military personnel are in a "veryhigh state of readiness" to deter any Iraqi threat to its neighbours, the commander of U.S. Navy forces in the region said Saturday.

Iraqi forces have raised concern with "unusual" military activity since July although "at this point in time there are no movements of forces towards Kuwait," Vice Admiral Scott Redd told reporters on the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln in the Gulf.

But he warned: "If we see a column of Iraqi troops and heavy equipment heading south, we're not going to sit around and picnic.

"We're not going to let them line up a bunch of tanks on the Kuwaiti border before deciding that this is some-

In line with military practice, he declined to say exactly how U.S. forces would

Under a U.N. resolution adopted after a military build-up along the Kuwaiti border last Öctober, Iraqi troops are barred from crossing the 32nd Parallel, which runs through the city of Najaf, unless they are based in

Deterring Iraq were a total of 23,000 U.S. Navy, Army, Marines and Air Force personnel in the region, along with another 5,000 aboard a second aircraft carrier in the Eastern Mediterranean, the USS Theodore Roosevelt, Adm. Redd said.

The Abraham Lincoln, a nuclear-powered vessel with 5,500 sailors and almost 200 pilots along with 80 aircraft, has been ordered to stay in the Gulf as a precaution until it is replaced by the Independence in September.

"The Lincoln would have normally been on her way home via Australia several days ago," he said. in addition, seven supply

ships with enough tanks and other equipment for 16,500 Marines and almost 6,000 soldiers have entered the Gulf within the last few days, U.S. Navy officers said.

If needed, the troops would be flown to the Gulf to "marry up" with their equipment, they said. "The forces we have on

station are in a very high state of readiness," but a formal state of alert has not been declared, according to Adm. Redd, the commander of U.S. Naval Forces Central Command who also commands the Fifth Fleet.

Although Iraq was decimated during the 1991 war to free Kuwait, it has been rebuilding its forces and "they do have a significant capability," Adm. Redd said. "We take the threat seriously."

Iraq meanwhile poured scorn on U.S. fears of "unusual" Iraqi troops move-ments saying American in-

(Continued on page 7) PLO jails 2 bombing suspects in

His Majesty King Hussein on Saturday confers with Egyptian Foreign

Minister Amr Musa in a meeting attended by Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker (photo by Yousef Allan)

Musa delivers message, discusses Iraqi events

Kabariti reaffirms Jordan's policy of non-interference in others' affairs Aug.8 defection to Jordan of Egypt were discussed and

By P.V.Vivekanand Jordan Times Stuff Reporter

AMMAN -- Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Musa paid a flying visit to Amman on Saturday for discussions on the implications of the recent defection of a high-ranking Iraqi minister to Jordan as well as issues related to a major economic conference that Amman will host in October.

His Majesty King Hussein met with Mr. Musa, who delivered to him a message from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, over a lunch hosted by Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker.

Details of the message were not immediately available, but it was believed to deal with the situation in Iraq

Lieutenant-General Hussein Kamel Hassan, a son-in-law of President Saddam Hussein and former minister of indus-

Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Kabariti held separate talks with Mr. Musa. Mr. Kabariti said later the

"issue of Iraq took a big portion of our talks." The Egyptian minister said

Following the talks at the

added that matters of relevance to the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) summit to be held in Amman in late October were also reviewed.

Earlier, Sharif Zeid and

the message dealt with "bilateral relations and pan-Arab and regional issues,' which were also discussed during the audience with the King and meetings with Sharif Zeid and Mr. Kabariti.

prime ministry, Sharif Zeid

"We tackled the MENA conference and coordination between Egypt and Jordan to ensure its success," said the prime minister, expressing hope that "consultations between the two countries

would lead to a unified stand." Mr. Musa added that regional cooperation and the Arab-Israeli peace process, in all its tracks, were also reviewed.

In all the meetings, the Jordanian leaders were believed to have told Mr. Musa that Jordan did not intend to

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should be further enhanced Ben Shaker told reporters isand the region following the (Continued on page 7) Iraq sanctions could be eased, but lifting looks unlikely in short term

Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN - Iraq's new attitude of cooperation with the U.N. over the destruction of its mass destruction weapons could lead to a partial lifting of the sanctions but is unliketo produce an end to the five-year embargo that the U.N. clamped on Baghdad after its invasion of Kuwait. If the United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM) entrusted with eliminating Baghdad's weapons of mass destruction certifies that Iraq has fulfilled its obligations

under U.N. resolutions related to its armament programmes. Iraq will be allowed to resume its exports, including oil, the country's mainstay revenue earner.

This will be done in accordance with article 22 of Resolution 687, which stipulates ports will be lifted once it has been proven that Baghdad has destroyed all its chemical. biological and nuclear weapons and long-range mis-

siles (see editorial, page 6). Rolf Ekeus, head of UN-SCOM. said in Amman last week that Iraq had not ability to produce nuclear arms, that it is left with no significant chemical weapons and that all its long-range missiles have been accounted for.

The only concern the U.N. has about Iraq's weapons at this point are the biological arms. on which UNSCOM received "important data" during its latest visit to Iraq this month. Mr. Ekeus said his team

agreed with Iraq to work with maximum speed to finish the UNSCOM mission and that he will have to report to the Security Council on the prog-

If Mr. Ekeus gives Iraq a clean bill of health, the Security Council will have to lift the embargo on Iraqi oil sales in compliance with Resolution 687.

But former Minister of Information Jawad Anani said that even if Baghdad is allowed to sell its oil, it will not be able to use the revenues for the purchase of materials banned under other U.N. resolutions.

Mr. Ekeus said that if Iraq complies with all U.N. resolutions, all members of the Security Council will have no choice but to end the sanctions. But the problem here. Dr. Anani said, is proving that Iraq has fulfilled all these resolutions.

Before the sanctions are lifted in their entirety, Iraq has to prove that it is respectlragis and will have to account for all Kuwaitis that have been missing since the

Gulf war in 1991. Proving this will not be an easy task, said Dr. Anani. adding that the difficulties entailed in the process of verifying Iraq's compliance with these resolutions will provide room for countries ... intent on keeping the sanctions on Iraq with political manoeuvring aimed at toppling the Iraqi regime.

Iraqi Foreign Minister Mohammad Al Sahhaf is on record as saying essentially the same thing.

In recent statements in Amman, Mr. Sahhaf argued that the U.S. will prevent the official lifting of the sanctions even if Iraq complies with U.N. resolutions.

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Iraqi decision to air King's speech remains a big puzzle

By Natasha Bukhari Special to the Jordan Times

THE IRAQI government's decision to broadcast in full His Majesty King Hussein's address to the nation Wednesday caught Jorda-nians and the Iraqi community living in Jordan by surprise over the weekend. Officials, parliamentarians and observers were still groping for answers yesterday as to why the speech, in which His Majesty King Hussein strong-ly criticised the Iraqi leadership, was shown by Iraq's official television network.

According to the optimists among them, the move showed the Iraqi regime is willing to accept criticism of its practices and at the same time reassuring the Iraqi people that relations with Jordan were still strong, to the extent

be broadcast on Iraqi TV without any problem.

"It would have been very difficult for the Iraqi leaders already to hear the King, who enjoys both the popularity and credibility among the Iraqi people, express great disappointment with them," a Jordanian official said. "How they decided to let all Iraqis know what His Majesty had to say about their leadership, I do not know," added the official, who requested anonymity.

This view was shared not only by other Jordanians, but also by Iraqis living in Jor-

"The sky is the limit in trying to explain what happened," an Iraqi citizen living in Amman told the Jordan Times. "It could be that Saddam is preparing the ground

for himself to defect here." she said in amazement.

But short of accepting the far-fetched "theory" on a possible asylum by the Iraqi president in Jordan, observers and analysts cited a number of factors that could have been behind the Iraqi decision to rebroadcast the speech on a TV channel run by none other than the president's eldest son, Uday.

There was a near consensus by analysts and politicians interviewed by the Jordan Times on the idea that the decision to broadcast the speech was a tactic by President Saddam to show confidence and send out a message both to his people and to the international community, which has not concealed its eagerness to see him ousted,

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Gen. Hassan thanks King

FORMER Iraqi Minister of Industry Hussein Kamel Hassan thanked His Majesty King Hussein on Saturday for speaking out against Iraqi policies

"Your Majesty's national comprehensive speech had the greatest impact on our souls for the true and sincere Arab feelings it entailed," the Jordan News Agency, Petra, quoted Lieutenant-General Hassan as saying in a cable to the

King.
"Your concern, care and support for us is just another addition to the innumerable generous ges-tures of the Hashemites throughout history."

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Jericho despite Israeli pressure OCCUPIED JERUSALEM

(Agencies) - A military court in Palestinian-ruled Jericho has jailed militants linked by Israel to a Hamas guerrilla cell responsible for suicide bombings, a senior Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) security official said on Saturday.

Palestinian officials rejected Israeli demands that the two be turned over to Israel. "They were sentenced and they will stay in jail in Jericho," Municipal Affairs Minister Saed Erekat told reporters after the weekly Palestinian cabinet meeting in the Gaza Strip.

The two defendants were identified as Abdul Majed Dudin and Rushdie Khatib, both members of the militant group Hamas which has claimed responsibility for bus bombings on July 24 in Tel Aviv on Monday in Jerusalem. A senior security official in

Jericho, speaking on condi-

tion of anonymity, said the

two were believed to be

members of the Hamas ring

that planned the two bomb-The official said Palestinian police were looking for a third suspect. Mohedeen Sharif, who is believed to have handed the explosives to the Jerusalem suicide bom-

Dudin was sentenced to 12 years and Khatib to seven years after being convicted of security offences and harming Palestinian interests, said Jericho prosecutor Yousef Bishtawi. Both are from the West Bank town of Hebron. a Hamas stronghold.

Israel announced Wednesday that it had captured the mastermind of the ring, Abdul Nasr Issa, and 29 eccomplices. Charging that other suspects fled to Jericho, Israel laid siege to the town, barring

leaving. The closure remained in effect for a fourth day Saturday. Dr. Erekat, who lives in Jericho, said Israel imposed the closure as a means of pressure on Palestinian offi-

cials to hand over the Hamas

militants.

anyone from entering and

'The Jericho area is closed by the Israelis because Israel demanded we hand over the two persons," said Saeb Erekat, head of local government in the authority. "The Palestinian Authority refused, and according to the Palestinian law they have been charged, tried and sentenced." he said in Gaza after the authority's weekly meetng.
There was no immediate

comment from Israeli author-

ities during the Jewish Sab-A statement issued by the Palestinian security forces in Jericho said Dudin and Khatib were charged with "carrying out activities which harm general security, the Palestinian authority and citizens and the peace pro-

The statement did not elaborate. It was the first time a military court had convened in Jericho since self-rule began there and in Gaza in May

The security official said Israel told the PLO that Dudin and Khatib were part of a Hamas cell responsible for a suicide bombing that killed four bus passengers in Jerusalem on Monday and an attack in July near Tel Aviv

which six Israelis died. The chief of Israel's Shin Bet security service announced on Wednesday it had arrested two of the group's ringleaders and about 30 other Hamas men. Hamas'

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Irani mothers wait at a Baghdad hospital for medicine for hear chileren, saricken with leukemia. Medicine is a scarce commodity in Iraq because of the crippling embargo

imposed on Iraq following its invasion of Kuwait in August 1990 (AFP photo)

"Iraq's four-year-old

approach of false cooperation

with UNSCOM is not the

work of a single individual

but the coordinated policy of

the Iraqi government," the

ambassador said. "The new

disclosures by Iraqi officials

show that these same officials

were consciously lying to

UNSCOM just three weeks

ago when they said then that

they had provided full in-

formation on their biological

Iraq when it now says it has

come clean would be naive in

the extreme," Ms. Albright said. She said that verifying

the new information "will be

long and difficult" but neces-

sary because of Iraq's "utter

British ambassador John

The Ekeus briefing, he

said, demonstrated "the col-

ossal extent of political irres-

ponsibility manifested by the

Saddam Hussein regime in

allowing programmes of this

kind to come to this advanced

and dangerous state. ... The

newly revealed information

shows just how extensive the

lying and evasion has been in

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before sanctions are lifted:

Give an accounting of

Kuwaiti prisoners of war, re-

turn Kuwaiti property, stop

supporting terrorism, stop

repressing the Kurds in the north and the Shiite in the

"It's pretty tough for me to

imagine" the sanctions being

lifted in the next year, she

said. "I think putting a timef-

rame on anything is not use-

ful. ... The important point

here is that when the Security

Council holds firm there are

years of denying that such a

programme existed, Iraq

admitted for the first time

that it had an offensive biolo-

gical weapons programme

with research beginning in

late 1985. It also told the

U.N. that in an 18-month

period it had produced 500,000 liters of botulinum

and 50,000 liters of anthracis.

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Ms. Albright stressed that

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weapons programme."

JU.S. calls Ekeus report on Iraq weapons programme 'chilling'

(USIA) — The head of the U.N. Commission overseeing the destruction of Iraqi weapons told the U.N. Security Council on Friday of Trag's latest admission that it , had a large, well-advanced germ warfare programme and was rushing to deploy a nuclear weapon by April

Ambassador Rolf Ekeus. chairman of the U.N. Commission overseeing the destraction of Iradi weapons (UNSCOM), brief the council bours after his return from Basindad and Amman where he met with too Iragi officials and with Lieutenant-General Hussein Kamel Hassan, the former head of Irac's weapons programme who recently defected to Jordan.

Mr. Elects left with more than 150 crates and eight large shipping containers of documents from Iraqi offichala that reportedly contain information on the amount of isthal grow warfare agents that Iraq possessed and the anten. Mars biological and nuclear malpons programand they Boginsad had prespiency higher from U.N. inspectors. They were turned are not the UNSCOM chairman at a farm frequofficials . at a farm fraqi officials raid belonged to Gen. Hus-

able new information was de- Kuwait and reached maturity is to werify that this informa-

tion (is) correct, and more important to verify (that) no items are left for Iraq to threaten its neighbours," Mr. Eliza said. U.S. Ambassador Madeleine Albright called Mr. Ekeus' report "chilling in terms of the potential for

usage of... weapons programmes and now close we all came to a major disaster." lvis. Albright singled out three disclosures: Iraq produced additional biological agents beyond the botulinum gand enthrosis they had admitted to; it had a comprehensive programme to produce fand deploy some 200 fully capable bloogical warheads for delivery by air and longrange missiles; and a crash programme to deploy a nuclear derice by April 1991.

The minbassador said that Brag apparently decided not to use the biological warbeads after its invesion of Revait busines the United States impde clear the consequences of using such weagons."
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UNITED NATIONS shows that Iraq had a more dangerous weapons programme before and after the Gulf war than even UNSCOM had known," she said. "Iraq continued its work in these areas even after it accepted Resolution 687, even when it claimed sanctions were reducing Irag to poverty. It did its best to preserve major elements of its programme in order to revive its as soon as

> UNSCOM had said in early August that it was not satisfied with the information it had received from Baghdad on the biological weapons programme and that it suspected Irao had actually produced more of the agents than it had admitted and may have hidden other production lines and sites.

After the meeting, diplomats said they were most disturbed by the size and scale of production of the biological weapons, the way in which Iraq had been preparing different kinds of weapon delivery systems, and the advanced state of production and deployment.

At a press conference after meeting the council, Mr. Ekeus said that "we have a new situation (in which) we see a full-scale programme that matured in very aggres-"I know a wealth of valu-sive form after the invasion of in filling munitions in Decer ber 1990.

"Now Iraq has admitted 10 times more anthracis than it presented earlier. Iraq admitted is had indeed put both anthracis and botulinum on weapons. ...Four hundred bombs were filled with anthracis and 100 bombs with botulinum toxin," Mr. Ekeus said. "Furthermore Iraq admitted production of a new agent... and filled it in 16

The UNSCOM chairman went on to say that Iraq also admitted to filling its Al Hussein warheads - Iraq's modification of the Soviet Scuds - with the anthracis (10 missiles) and botulinum (15 missiles). Between December 1 and 23, 1990, immediately before the outbreak of the Guif war in late January 1991, the weapons were brought to two air bases and

other sites around Iraq. Iraq also admitted that it was doing research on toxins to destroy wheat crops and animals and on the "yellow rain' toxins. It was experimenting, with remote controlled spray planes but to use either the toxins or weapons, he reported.

"Iraq says all weapons were destroyed. ... It remains for the commission to clarify that really all agents were destroyed," Mr. Ekeus said. The main concern is the deadly anthracis, which is relatively stable and can be kept many years without too much difficulty.

An important "but not earthshaking" bit of new information was that Iraq managed to produce its own Al Hussein missile rather than modify the Soviet import Scuds, Mr. Ekeus said.

'We accounted for all Russian missiles. Now we have information Iraq had its own. ...That means we have to have vigorous investigation to clarify no missiles are left," he said.

According to the information now provided by Baghdad, "it is clear Iraq was working on a crash programme started immediately after the invasion of Kuwait and was aiming at producing one nuclear device using highly enriched uranium from (an International Atomic Energy Agency) safe-guarded site, Mr. Ekeus said.

"It was a crash programme, a desperate effort to produce a bomb by April 1991," he said.

mand that the Security Council lift the oil embargo by Aug. 31 or it would no longer cooperate with the U.N. That ultimatum was lifted. Mr. Ekeus said, the day after Gen. Hussein Kamel defected.

Ms. Albright told journal-ists after the private council meeting with Mr. Ekeus that the latest disclosures from Baghdad say much more ab-out the credibility of the Iraqi government and the threat it still poses to the region than they do about the possibility of lifting sanctions any time

"Even when the Iraqi gov-ernment provides information it feels compelled to wrap it in a package of falsehood. Iraq has again insulted the intelligence of the council with the story even a child could not believe: That in Saddam Hussein's Iraq, Hussein Kamel single-handedly ran a weapons programme involving cabinet ministers and thousands of specialists and managed to conceal the details of that programme

from Saddam Hussein him-

UNITED NATIONS (R) -In an unusual bit of drama, the U.N. chief weapons inspector described on Friday how he was taken to an abandoned farm to receive tonnes of documents on weapons

allegedly held by a defector. U.N. Special Commission Chairman Rolf Ekeus, in charge of ridding Iraq of weapons of mass destruction, told a news conference how he received thousands of documents on Iraq's efforts to produce nuclear arms, germ weapons and ballistic

"They rang me as I was packing and said, 'you don't have to go to the aircraft but a farm (in Iraq) owned by

NEWS IN BRIEF

200 Egyptian deputies lose gun permits

CAIRO (AFP) - Some 200 Egyptian deputies were

among 18,000 people who have had gun permits withdrawn in the past two years, Interior Minister Hassan Al Alfi said

Saturday. "In the past two years... out of the 214,000 gun

permits granted to citizens, some 18,327 have been

withdrawn" mostly because people only wanted an arm for

"prestige," General Alfi told the daily Al Ahram. Over the same period "200 permits for semi-automatic arms" given

to Egyptian deputies were cancelled because citizens are

banned from carrying such types of weapons. Gen. Alfi said that 27,574 illegal weapons had been seized in sweeps

including 2,509 automatic rifles and 283 artillery rifles.

ASSIUT, Egypt (R) - Suspected militants shot dead a

policemen's club cook on his way home in south Egypt, an

Interior Ministry statement said on Saturday. The attack on

Friday night killed Mohammad Fahmy Ahmad in a village

near the town of Mallawi in Minya province, 260

kilometres south of Cairo. Police sources said they sus-

pected the attackers were members of Egypt's largest

militant organisation, Al Gamaa Al Islami, ah. The Gamaa

leads a campaign to overthrow President Hosni Mubarak's

government and establish a strict Islamic state. More than 820 people, most of them police and militants, have been

U.S. citizens told to avoid public transport in Israel

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The United States warned its

citizens Friday to avoid the use of public transportation,

especially buses and bus stops in Israel and Gaza following

Monday's bus bombing in Jerusalem. The State Depart-

ment said the restriction did not apply to tour buses. The

bus bombing in Jerusalem on Monday left five people dead

and wounded 100, the sixth incidence of suicide bombing

IZMIR (AP) - A brothel owner said Friday that for the

first time prostitutes are forming a union to improve their compensation. Aysel Firmali said that so far 36 prostitutes

had joined the union; entitling them to collective bargain-

ing. She hopes to encourage many more prostitutes around

the country to unionise, but faces strong opposition from

other brothel owners who prefer to keep their employees

unregistered. Ms. Firmali said she had received threats

from other brothel owners. Turkey permits prostitution.

Wonder visits a top Arafat aide in Jerusalem

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (AP) - Singer Stevie Won-

der visited a close advisor of Yasser Arafat in Jerusalem

Friday, bringing a message of hope that "Palestinians and Israelis can be as one." Dr. Ahmad Tibi, a Palestinian

gynecologist who often explains Palestinian politics to the

Israeli public because of his fluent Hebrew, received Mr.

Wonder in his home just north of Jerusalem. "I just wanted

to say that we all love Stevie and we are very pleased that

he is here in East Jerusalem." Dr. Tibi said, holding hands

with the music idol as the two sat on the couch, "He is

loved by all, Israelis and Palestinians, Jews and Arabs. He

is the symbol of struggle for equality, peace and freedom and we are very proud that you are here," he added. "We

Somaliland frees Norwegian; 5 still held

OSLO (R) — The leader of Somaliland said on Friday a

Norwegian diplomat detained in the breakaway state had

been released but five other people seized when their plane

landed in the capital Hargeisa were still being held.

Mohammad Ibrahim Egal, president of the self-proclaimed

African republic, told the Norwegian television station

TV2 by telephone that Oeyvind Nordgaren, a diplomat at

the Norwegian embassy in the Kenyan capital Nairobi, had been freed. "Nordgaren has been released," Mr. Egal said. "He himself decided to stay (in Hargeisa) with friends, but

he will be leaving tomorrow." Asked about the other detainees, he only said: "That is a different story altogether."

like your songs and we like you."

Prostitutes unionise in Turkey

killed in the three-year-old campaign.

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Turkey.

Militants kill police cook in Egypt

Ekeus collected Iraqi data from farm Hussein Kamal Hassan," Dr. Ekeus said. He was referring to the general who directed the weapons programme and

defected to Jordan, arriving

in Amman on Aug. 8. Dr. Ekeus said he delayed his flight from Baghdad last Sunday and went to the farm. "There I found eight large shipping containers plus a large amount of metal boxes," he said.

The boxes numbered about 150 and contained documents in Engish and Arabic on paper, videotapes, computer disks and microfiche that are now sealed in a U.N.protected centre in Baghdad. Dr. Ekens said he was told that the defector's assistants

Jordan where he met Gen. Hussein Kamal. "His in-

formation overlapped with

had brought the documents to the farm a day before Hussein Kamal went to Jordan. But he said, "there was no dust, they were in shining condition."

Security Council diplomats said other Iraqis indicated to Dr. Ekeus that the cache of documents was brought to the farm three days after the defection. Dr. Ekeus then went to

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Madeleine Albright lashed into Iraq, saying that even when the Baghdad government provided information. "it feels compelled to wrap it in a package of falsehood."

"Iraq has again insulted the intelligence of the council with a story even a child could not believe: That in Saddam Hussein's Iraq, Hussein Kamal singlehandedly ran a weapon programme involving cabinet ministers and thousands of specialists, and managed to conceal details of its from Saddam Hussein himself," she said.

U.S. ban on Lebanon is political — congressman

BEIRUT (AFP) — A U.S. congressman branded as 'political" a U.S. travel ban on Lebanon, saying it prevented American firms from grabbing a share of Lebanon's post-war reconstruction plans before leaving Saturday for Syria.

Martin Hoke, who is on a fact-finding mission which has taken him to Israel and Jordan, was speaking after talks late Friday with Lebanese Foreign Minister Fares Bouez.

The U.S. restrictions were first adopted after an American TWA jeltiner was hijacked to Beirut in 1985 by Shiite Muslim fundamentalists and a U.S. navy diver murdered.

They have been renewed every year and Washington warned that Lebanon was "still a dangerous place" when it extended the ban for another six months in Febru-

Mr. Hoke, who technically defied the ban by flying into Beirut airport from Amman on Friday aboard the Lebanese national carrier Middle East Airlines, said there was "nothing" to be afraid of except Lebanese "The ban is clearly politic-

al. I don't think it is a security issue," Mr. Hoke said. He also met President Elias Hrawi and Prime Minister Rafik Hariri.

"It was a security issue 10 years ago, five years ago but not today and now as a result of being caught in the politics of it we are losing. American companies are losing."

Mr. Hoke, a Republican from Ohio, also met managers of the private development and reconstruction firm Solidere which is promoting the multi-billion-dollar reconstruction of the warshattered Beirut city centre.

"That work should be carried out by American com-panies. There are tremendous opportunities here... opportunities for economic growth for America and American companies." Ir. Hoke said.
Lebanon's post-war recon-Mr. Hoke said.

struction projects have been estimated at 15 billion dollars, with major contracts going to European countries. "Westinghouse should be building power plants. That's who should be doing it not some company from Italy,"

Mr. Hoke added. Lebanon, where the 15year civil war ended in 1990, has repeatedly dismissed the ban as unjustified. In June, the United States

allowed the sale of airplane tickets to Lebanon in the United States for Lebanese nationals only.

Kuwait will not receive Iragi defector, paper says

KUWAIT (R) - Kuwait will not receive top Iraqi defector Lieutenant-General Hussein Kamel Hassan "because his hands were stained with Kuwaitis' blood," a newspaper reported on Saturday.

Gen. Hassan, who defected to Jordan this month, said in interviews published on Friday that he would like to visit Kuwait and Saudi Arabia to explain the situation and "seek their help" in toppling Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

"Kuwait fully rejects to receive that person because his hands were stained with the blood of Kuwaitis," Al Watan newspaper quoted a

cabinet source as saying. Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990 and annexed it as its 19th province until a U.S.led coalition ousted Iraqi troops in 1991. About 300 Kuwaitis were

killed during the sevenmonth occupation. "Documents confirm that he was in charge of the private property during the vicious Iraqi occupation," the Kuwaiti cabinet source was quoted as saying. Kuwait this year pub-

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lished Iraqi documents showing that Gen. Hassan had ordered the looting of Kuwaiti oil industry equipment during the occupation. Gen. Hassan, who was in

charge of military industries and acting minister of oil in 1990, has said he was only following orders when he took part in the invasion and that he now recognises Kuwait as an independent country.

Iraqi state television on Thursday broadcast a tape of a voice which the announcer said was that of Gen. Hassan, urging the government to invade Kuwait and the eastern region of Saudi Arabia.

Gen. Hassan, in a radio interview quoted by the official Kuwait News Agen-cy, said on Friday Iraqi had forged the tape.

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# Jordanian businessmen set up JD 30m holding firm with W. Bank focus

Al Ikbal expects 48% equity in Jenin industrial estate

By a Jordan Tines Staff Reporter

AMMAN — A group of Jordanian businessmen on Saturday announced the establishment of a holding company which will hold up to 48 per cent equity in a proposed \$500 million industrial estate in the West Bank in the first realisation of an internationally supported programme to set up industrial parks in the Palestinian territories.

The JD 30 million capital firm, known as Al Ikbal Development and Investment Company, will also invest in hotels and tourism transport projects in Jordan and the Palestinian territoshareholders announced at a meeting held the Inter Continental

Hotel The shareholders include Jordanian banks and businesses as well as individual

During Saturday's meeting, the general assembly elected an 11-member board of directors, which will meet at a later date to name office-holders within the board, including the chair-

man, managing and executives. According to

sources, Tawfiq Fakhouri, chairman of the Bank of Jordan --- one of the largest Jordanian commercial banks with a strong presence in the Palestinian territories — is tipped to be elected chairman of the company. Mr. Fakhouri is a direct

investor in the new firm in addition to the Bank of Jordan, which is represented in the board of directors by Adel Dajani. Other members of the

board are: Sufian Sartawi, Farah Electrical Equipment Company, Ahmad Armoush, Deeb. Yahva Sameer Kadamani, Mohieddin Husseini, Said Turk, Nabil Barakat and Sheikh Mohammad Ben Mohammad Al Thani of Oatar.

Addressing the general assembly meeting, Mr. Fakhouri and other board members said the company would hold up to 48 per cent of the equity in the planned industrial estate in Jenin in the West Bank on a 500dunum plot of land,

The World Bank, which is one of the key international agencies administering aid

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Oil paintings by Yassin Al Mohammadawi at Baladna Art

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Scribbles" by Amin Al Basha and artist Ali Bermamet.

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to the Palestinian territories, will be involved in the project in terms of extending

technical help. -Palestinians will control 52 per cent of the equity of the industrial estate, thus effectively retaining majori-ty interest and satisfying the terms adopted by the Palestinian National Authority based in Gaza.

Under an agreement being negotiated by the Palestine Organisation Liberation (PLO) and Israel, most of the West Bank, including Jenin, will go under Palestinian autonomy before the end of the year.

Details of the Palestinian partner in the industrial estate venture were not available.

Asked whether the firm intended to cooperate with other Jordanian or foreign companies which are also involved in heavy investments in the Palestinian territories, Mr. Fakhouri pointed out that the new entity was an independent venturé with affiliation to no other firm.

He said one of the key areas that the company would invest would be hotels and tourism transport

Jerusalem. Jordan lacks sufficient transport facilities for tourists, and this is one of the elements, cited by many officials, that are hindering plans to exploit the full potential of tourism in the

The proposed industrial estate in Jenin is one of eight being discussed by the Palestinians, Israelis and the international community after U.S. President Bill Clinton threw his weight behind the idea as a means to address the chronic unemployment among the residents of the West Bank.

Kingdom.

However, it is expected that the first unit at any of the planned industrial parks would not be operational before 1997, given the massive work that would go into setting up the project and providing infrastructure.

Several international firms, including holding companies from Britain, France, Germany and Italy as well as Japan, are reportedly discussing participation in the industrial parks with the Palestinian National Authority.

## Sri Lanka to send delegation for trade, investment talks

AMMAN (Petra) - The government of Sri Lanka has said it is eager to participate in an active capacity in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) conference in October and said that it will send a delegation to Jordan soon to discuss the promotion of bilateral trade.

Sri Lanka's consul general in Jordan Tawfiq Abu Khajeel said Saturday that the Sri Lankan government had expressed interest in launch. ing joint investment projects and increasing its volume of trade with the Kingdom.

To initiate its participation in the October conference is despatching a delegation peace era in the region.

to Jordan today to discuss a number of topics with Jordanian government officials and the private sector, said Mr. Abu Khajeel.

The delegation, which groups representatives of the Sri Lankan corporation for national exports and exporters of vegetables and fruits, is expected to crown the talks in Amman with the conclusion of a protocol on bilateral , cooperation on trades especially in the exchange of agricultural

Mr. Abu Khajeel said that the delegation's visit comes at a time when the Kingdom is witnessing increased the Sri Lankan government. investments in view of the

Jordanian Perspective,' said poor countries of the South (less developed countries)

consideration the social and religious concerns of their countries.'

Sweiss' stand. women are the 'angels of sal-

vation," she said. "Even if women had a larger role to play in politics the world is better place to live in."

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attendees even entire Beijing conference.

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society, but we still hold backward ideas regarding women," he said. The declaration and reso-

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# National report is ready for Beijing

Princess Basma: No sustainable socio-economic development

AMMAN (Petra) -- The Jordanian team to the Beijing World Conference on Women has prepared a comprehensive national report that contains ideas and proposals to be submitted to the participants in the 10-day meeting in September, Her Royal Highness Princess Basma announced Saturday. In an interview with the New China News Agency, the Princess said that the report had been submitted to all official and private organisations concerned with women issues in Iordan and had been debated at all

A copy of the report, she added, has been sent to the U.N. Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) which is authorised to follow up on

levels before its endorse-

preparations for the Beijing conference in the Western Asian and North African regions.

Princess Basma, who is leading the Jordanian delegation to the conference in Beijing, said that the delegation comprises representatives of governmental and non-governmental organisations who have already held discussions and agreed on the unified plan for the conference.

The two sides proved to have similar views over the items and proposals included in the draft document, the Princess said.

Princess Basma underlined the conference's importance as a forum to help women's causes, and said that the Beijing meeting comes one decade after the endorsement of the Nairobi declaration which contained a strategy for the promotion of the status of women until the year 2005.

The Princess expressed hope that the Bejing conference will leave its positive imprints on international efforts to improve women's status and safeguard their rights. She added that the conference is being held at a time when the world has become more convinced that no sustainable socio-economic development could be achieved without attaining equality between men

and women. Princess Basma said that through their preparations

for the Beijing conference, world women unions have been able to raise awareness on the role of women in all fields of life and that women are hopeful that their conference will move governments to reconsider laws and legislations on women and " remove all forms of discrimination against them.

Princess Basma said that women's participation in the event reflects the great awareness among women on their growing roles in society and reflects the implied consent of world nations to integrating women in the process of socio-economic development and the expansion of women's participain decision-making tion capacities.

The Princess will address a press conference Sunday at the Queen Alia Fund for Social Development to further discuss the Beijing Conference at which she is expected to declare the Jordanian position with regard to the international draft declaration prepared for Bei-

# Seminar speakers say Beijing declaration imposes western views on Third World women

By Lola Keilani Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - The draft declaration for the Fourth Conference on Women to be held in Beijing is an attempt by the rich countries of the North (developed nations) to impose the "law of the jungle" on the rest of the world, said human rights' activist Suleiman Sweiss on

Wednesday at a seminar at the Abdel Hameed Shoman Foundation.

The draft declaration, consisting of 170 pages, to be discussed at the Beijing Conference on Women between Sept. 4 and 15, was announced by the Central Committee for Women at the United Nations which serves as the preparatory committee for the confer-

The draft declaration is the conference will be working

Dr. Sweiss, talking during the seminar entitled The Declaration for the Fourth Conference on Women: A

should stand strongly seminar. against this draft, which Some does not respect or take into

Human rights' activist Subair Tal, also speaking at

the seminar, supported Dr. "Not only is the draft based on western liberal thought that reflects western cultural concepts on women but it mistakenly thinks that

not necessarily going to be a No-one in the audience defended the draft declaration. Most of those attending strongly condemned the of attempting to impose

"France forces females who chose to wear the veil

asked Mustafa

called for the boycott of the

But Dr. Sweiss argued that participating in this conference does have its purpose in that it allows for vocal opposition of policies based on western concepts of justice and freedom.

In reply to a comment made by an attendee that women enjoyed full rights in the Arab world, Dr. Sweiss firmly said the status of the Jordanian women was 'very painful' and that one should

"We claim to be a civilised

000 people worldwide, are not obligatory policies to be imposed on people by their

tional conference depends

on the "willingness" and "generosity" of governments to implement them, said Dr. Sweiss.

Dr. Sweiss sees conference resolutions as eventually being no more than "ink on paper." He also criticised the draft

declaration for its deliberate oversight of the traditional concept of heterosexual marriage. Dr. Sweiss foresees a clash

between Asia, Latin America and Africa against countries of the North over issues such as homosexual practices, general sexual practices and abortion.

Dr. Sweiss said he disagreed with segments of the draft resolution which claims that the salvation of women lies in bettering their financial circumstances.

He believes the answer is nomic relations between the South and North that are not based upon the power-wielded exploitation of less developed economies and societies.

## U.N. to organise seminar for MENA investors

effort to lend support to the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) conference

AMMAN (Petra) — In an Amman, the United Nations will organise a seminar for foreign investors and representatives of firms and factories from participating scheduled for October in countries to help in the coordination of common ventures, according to Jorgen Lissner, resident representative of the United Nations

> (UNDP) in Jordan. Mr. Lissner told a press gathering at his office Saturday that the UNDP and the

United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) have made plans for the seminar to which they will submit a list of projects on industries that include pharmaceutical, food and textile, chemical, engineering and construction, furniture and electron-

Development Programme He said that each of these industries will have a capital ranging between JD 500,000 and JD 10 million.

Mr. Lissner said that the UNDP and UNIDO have selected a number of local companies and institutions as prime partners to work with foreign companies intending to invest in regional projects.

An international team of experts will, in the next three weeks, conduct a performance assessment of selected companies and will prepare a comprehensive plan of projects, he said.



UNDP Representative Jorgen Lissner Saturday addresses a press gathering on the organisation of the investors' seminar (Petra photo)

# Anti-meningitis society finds common agenda with Cuba

By Rima Cortbawi Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — During a twoday visit to Jordan last week, Emesto Gomez Abascal, non-resident ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the Republic of Cuba in Jordan, met with Jordanian members of the anti-meningitis society to establish a common agenda of efforts for the eradication of the disease.

"I have recently contacted the anti-meningitis committee to arrange for this meeting in order to ensure collaboration with Cuba in the fight against meningitis," Mr. Abascal told the Jordan

Since the start-up of the society, which was founded by artist Sana' Masri who suffered a family tragedy because of meningitis, this anti-meningitis campaign has earned focused attention both from the media and the public.

"In fact, the ambassador first learned of our existence

to meet with us especially because Cuban officials have for a long time been ease-inducing). interested in action against the disease, and we were pleased to be informed of

from years of scientific years, Dr. Khawaja said. research by Cuban experts," Mrs. Masri added. "I have sought the society to share important information with its members concerning the disease," said

During the meeting which took place on Aug. 19, the ambassador expressed satisfaction that such an "uncompromising" disease should be given attention in Jordan and talked about the Cuban experience with meningitis. According to Mr. Abascal,

the fruitful outcome reached

Mr. Abascal, who resides in

Damascus.

years of research and studies culminated in the production, during the late 80s, of the first effective vaccine in the world against B meningococcal disease by the Cuban Finlay Institute for Research and Production were applied so far.

of Sera and Vaccines. There are nine different types of bacteria causing meningococcal meningitis, according to paediatrician

Issam Khawaja, but types A, B and C are pathogenic (dis-

Protection against types A and C can be granted in different countries because effective vaccines have been manufactured for many

However, until Cuba successfully produced the vaccine to fight type B bugs, no vaccine could counteract the effect of these harmful micro-organisms, acording to Dr. Khawaja.

The vaccine, which was granted the World Intellectual Property Oranisation (WIPO) Gold Medal Award in 1990 has the greatest capacity to act in human beings against both meningococcal groups B and C.

It has, according to the Institute, been proven efficient against C meningococcal disease in children under the age of two, and has shown no adverse effects in the millions of doses that

The vaccine, said Dr. Khawaja, meets World Health Organisation (WHO) requirements and has been approved by the Cuban

national authorities.

"The vaccine has shown positive results in countries like Brazil, Venezuela; Colombia and Ecuador," Dr. Khawaja said.

In an earlier visit to Jordan, the ambassador met with health minister Aref Batayneh to discuss, among other things, possibilities of introducing the vaccine to Jordan either by trade or the transfer of the technology required for its manufacture,

said Dr. Khawaja. The ministry, however, is still studying the vaccine and considering the need to introduce it to Jordan, he added.

"I believe meningococcus B to be common in Jordan, therefore such a vaccine would be very beneficial for health care." said Dr. Khawaja.

So far, meningococcus immunisation in Jordan is available in the form of vaccines against meningococcal groups A and C, said Omar Abu Yousef, medical representative of the Pastent Merieux Institute here.

These are administered to people in large crowds due to the endemic nature of these micro-organisms, Mr. Abu Yousef continued. No protection against the

B group can be provided yet. however. The Cuban vaccine, said Dr. Khawaja, is indicated for active immunisation of adults and children over three months, against groups, B and C meningococcus and is particularly recommended. for high risk groups such as people living in closed communities, military camps, boarding schools or persons in contact with sufferers

from the disease. "Efforts in future will be directed towards maintaining collaboration between Cuba and the anti-meningitis society here," said Mr. Abas-

As soon as the society gains the promised approval of the Ministry of Development, according to Mrs. Masri, work will be intensified to belp protect Jordanians from the meningitis dis-

"This work will include increasing awareness by conducting seminars and preparing informative programmes on radio, television and satellite."

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from an article that was pub-INTRICATE TRADITIONS: A woman picks lentils beans in lished in the Jordan Times preparation for a traditional meal of lentils and rice at Baqa'a camp (photo by Yousef Al 'Allan) on June 29," said Mrs. Masri. "This prompted him

Garbo

at auction

memorabilia sold

tract with Metro Goldwyn

Mayer, which sold for \$3,850.

and her Swedish passport

from the same year, which brought \$3,700. The items

were sold by James D. Julia

at his annual end-of-summer

auction at the Samonset Re-

sort. The Garbo collection

was more than 100 items,

including photographs from the films Queen Christina,

Anna Karenina and The

Painted Veil. The total

brought by the Garbo collec-

tion was not immediately

available. Garbo died in 1990

at age 84. One of the bidders

Friday was Dr. Donald Reis-

feld of New Jersey, whose

wife is Garbo's niece and 'sir

Gray Reisfeld. He b ght several photographs. Acisfeld said he believed some of

the auction items may have

been stolen in a break-in at

Garbo's home in California

many years ago. Julia denied that, and said all the items

had been bought by the pre-

vious owner from a reputable

firm. About 150 people

attended the auction, which

Julia advertised world-wide, including in the Swedish press, in the show business news-

paper Variety and in the New York Times.

Extremists in the camps

warn returnees they will be

choked to death because

there is no space in Rwanda's

prisons. The jails are stuffed with 50,000 Hutu inmates,

accused of genocide and

other crimes. Amputations

from gangrene are common-

Reporters saw at least 30

men, among the 200 refugees

who agreed to leave Friday,

questioned and detained at

Nkamera Camp, 20 kilometres inside Rwanda,

where the returnees are being

screened by Rwandan au-

Diplomats say Zaire's

warning to the refugees has

yet to be followed through

with real action against the

troublemakers — countiess murderers who live amongst

Zaire so far has left un-

touched the military camps of

the 40,000 refugees in the

former Rwandan government

A top Zairean general.

Baramoto Kpama, revealed sympathy for the extremists

during a visit to Goma town

"Have you ever seen any-thing bad in their camps?

We're still brothers. We're

not enemies," he told repor-

ters when asked if Zairean

troops would start expelling

the refugees.

army, the FAR.

this week.

GOMA, Zaire (R) — A voluntary U.N. repatriation plan, negotiated to end Zaire's forced expulsions of thousands of Rwandan Hutu refugees, came to a virtual halt Saturday when fewer than two dozen people agreed to go home.

· Three empty U.N. trucks and a bus waited outside Goma's sprawling Mugunga camp all morning but no refugees showed up.

Earlier Saturday, only 20 refugees from Mugunga and a mere two from the nearby Lac Vert Camp boarded U.N. vehicles to return, U.N. refugee agency (UNHCR) officials said.

"The refugees are tired. They need time," UNHCR repatriation officer Ivan Sturm said.

Over a million Hutus fled to Zaire from Rwanda last year, fearing the Tutsi-led Rwanda Patriotic Front (RPF) which seized power in July would take revenge for the genocide of up to a million Tutsis and moderate Hutus in the previous two

Zaire began the forced expulsions after complaining for months the international community was not doing enough to help it shoulder the refugee burden.
The U.N. has to speed up

the voluntary returns among the one million Hutu re-

:Wu vows

to return

to China

MILPITAS, Calif, (R) - Hu-

man rights activist Harry Wu,

expelled by the Chinese after

two months of detention and

a spying conviction : said that

be intends to return to China

born. This is the place I want

to die. Of course I will go

back," Mr. Wu said in an

interview with Reuters. "I

have my blood, my tears in

"The government won't

welcome me, (but) that

doesn't mean the government

with last forever," said Mr.

Wa, who previously spent 19

gears in Chinese labour

Mr. Wu was adamant that

he would go on with his

struggle to end alleged hu-

man rights abuses in China's

(Inere is) no way for me to

give up or withdraw a single

Mr. Wu said he is commit-

ted to returning to China one day. He said Chinese author-

ities would jail him again if he

Earlier, at a news confer-

ence in the living room of his California home, Mr. Wu de-

scribed the harsh conditions

of his imprisonment, how he

had been denied medicine for

a back injury and how he

avoided thinking of his wife

or his home because it would

Mr. Wu looked weak and

emotionally drained after his

imprisonment, which became

Thursday night from Shan-

of his two mouths in deten-

tion isolated in a 10 foot by 12

foot (3 metre by 3.6 metre)

Mr. Wu said that when he

was reunited with his wife

Ching Lee, he asked her to

remarry him. "I confessed to

my wife: 'I didn't think about

you a lot because thinking a

He said he told himself:

"Don't think about it. I don't

have a family. I don't have

good things outside. I have to

A charge of espionage can

Mr. Wu also said he plan-

ned to go on hunger strike if

Chinese authorities carried

out any of the prison sent-

ence against him. "That's the

only choice: Freedom or

His expulsion opened the

way for first lady Hillary

Rodham Clinton to attend a

U.N. conference on women

in China early next month.

spent 19 years in Chinese

labour camps, said he be-

lieved that if he had not been

an American, he would have

"disappeared" in China.

Mr. Wu, who previously

death," he said.

carry the death penalty in

prepare for my death."

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lot I would go mad."

Mr. Wu said he spent most

have driven him mad.

he said.

did return.

"The fight is continuing.

the Chinese soil.

"This is the place I was

fugees inside Zaire, having agreed to intervene in order to persuade Zaire to suspend its evictions. UNHCR officials fear

Zaire may send in the troops again if it is not satisfied with the pace of returns. But this was seen as unlikely before talks due Monday in Kinshasa between UNHCR head Sadako Ogata and Zairean Prime Minister Kengo Wa Dondo.

Zaire's expulsions dumped

15,000 refugees along Rwan-da's borders over four days before they were suspended Thursday.

But the voluntary U.N.

programme has only been able to send home some 250

since it began Friday.

Despite the tiny trickle of returnees, some UNHCR officials insisted there was a pro-return momentum. Patrick De Souza, the agency's head in the Bukavu area said he was "very optimistic" that 3,000 Hutus would agree to leave in a convoy Monday.

The Kigali government, rejecting calls to share power with Hutu exiles, says it will never negotiate with killers. The refugees have few friends left. The international community does not want to pay for their stay in the region any longer. The start of the mass exodus was warmly

greeted in the Zairean capital Kinshasa and in Goma town.

LONDON (R) — Britain

said Saturday it is doing all it

can to secure the release of a

British diplomat in Colombia

who is reported to have been

kidnapped by left-wing guer-

The Foreign Office identi-

fied the diplomat as Timothy

Cowley, an assistant to the

defence attache at the British

embassy in the Colombian

to secure his return," said a

Island's fashionable Hamp-

tons were brought under con-

trol by firefighters who bat-

tled the blazes on the ground

as helicopters and cropdus-

ters dropped water from the

trol," said Tim Ryan, spokes-

man for Suffolk County ex-

"This does not mean that

ecutive Robert Gaffney.

"The fire is under con-

'We are doing all we can

capital Bogota.

Rwandan Hutu militiamen

Colombia rebels kidnap British official

"This is unfortunately a

very common occurrence in

Colombia. He was unfortun-

The spokesman was unable

to give any details about Mr.

Cowley's captors and could

not say whether any demands

soms is well-known - we

don't pay them," said the

New York fire brought under control

Six fixed-wing planes dropping up to 400 gallons (1,500

litres) of water per trip, and

two Chinook helicopters

which can drop 1,000 gallons

(3,800 litres), have been

fighting the blaze and more

reinforcements were ex-

"Our position with ran-

had been made.

RIVERHEAD, New York had 19 days without rain, and

(R) — Brush fires in Long everything is as dry as a Island's fashionable Hamptinderbox," said Mr. Ryan.

the problem is over. We have Thursday, destroyed eight

say they prefer to risk death in Zaire rather than return to imprisonment or execution in Rwanda.

Meanwhile, the Londonbased human rights group Africa Rights said Saturday thousands of Rwandan women played an active role in last year's genocide in their country, killing, looting and stripping the dead of valu-

"Women and girls in their teens joined the crowds that surrounded churches, hospitals and other places of refuge, wielding machetes, nail-studded clubs and spears," African Rights said in a report based on eyewitness Testimony.

"They excelled as 'cheerleaders' of the genocide, singing and ululating the killers into action," it said. "They entered churches, schools, football stadiums and hospitals to finish off the wounded, hacking women, children and even men to death."

The human rights group said many of these women are now in refugee camps in Zaire and are refusing to return home "precisely because they are mass murderers who will be, and must be, judged for their crimes."

African Rights said women from all walks of life took part in the killings — from government ministers, civil servants, local government

BBC World Service radio

said Mr. Cowley was abducted by left-wing guerril-las at a roadblock in south-

west Colombia two weeks

Bogota said the abduction

had been kept quiet while

negotiations were attempted,

but the information was re-

leased by a senior Colombian

army officer during a televi-

sion interview on Friday

houses, a lumberyard and a

railroad station, injured 40

firefighters and drove hun-

dreds of people from their

New York Governor

George Pataki, who said the

fire in the region of Eastport

and Westhampton was the

state's worst in 60 years, de-

clared a state of emergency,

prompting a quick pledge of

dent Bill Clinton.

homes.

A BBC correspondent in

journalists to students. housewives, domestic servants, traders and nuns.

Women working for local non-governmental organisations and international agencies in Rwanda were also involved, it said.

"The extent to which women took an active role in the killings is unprecedented anywhere in the world.

The architects of the holocaust sought to involve as much of the population as possible — men, women and even children as young as eight," the report said. They set out to create a nation of extremists bound together by the blood of

African Rights said many of the women took their children with them on their "killing sprees" while other women enlisted their children to help them loot the dead. Pauline Nyiramasuhuko,

minister for women and the family at the time of the massacres, was among sever-al prominent Rwandan women named by African Rights as an "organiser" of the killings. "She regularly visited

places where refugees had been congregated and personally supervised the selection of hundreds of Tutsi men for the slaughterhouse," the re-

China,

## U.S. hold 'frank,

 $\overline{BEIJING}$  (R) — U.S. Under-Secretary of State Peter Tarnoff began fence-

open' talks

mending talks Saturday with Chinese Foreign Ministry officials in Beijing and diplomats described the first meeting as frank and constructive. Mr. Tarnoff held 3-1/2

hours of talks with Chinese Vice-Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing at the Beijing State Guesthouse at the start of a two-day visit in the capital aimed at warming chilly Sino-U.S. relations.

Mr. Tarnoff flew into the central city of Shanghar late Thursday just as Chinese police expelled U.S. human-rights activist Harry Wu after sentencing him to 15 years on charges of spying and stealing

had become a major irritant to already troubled Sino-U.S. ties and diplomats said his release had been carefully timed to remove an impediment and put the ball in Washington's court to improve relations before Mr. Tarnoff arrived.

"The discussions principally focused on bilateral issues," a U.S. embassy spokesman said of Saturday's meeting. 'The talks were held in a frank, open and constructive manner.

Mr. Tarnoff was due to meet Chinese Foreign Minister Qian Qichen Sunday and to attend a dinner to be held by the Foreign Affairs Office of the State Council, China's cabinet.

China says relations with the United States have plunged to their lowest point since they were established 16 years ago and the Xinhua News Agency attacked U.S. media reports that it said vilified China as a "new evil empire".

China was enraged when U.S. President Bill Clinton allowed a private visit by President Lee Teng-Hui of rival Taiwan last June in a move Beijing regarded as the start of tacit U.S. recognition of the island as an independent entity. China has viewed Taiwan

as a rebel province since the end of a civil war in 1949. Beijing's Communist rulers and Taiwan's nationalist government both say they want reunification but on very different terms.

Beijing has demanded a formal guarantee from Washington it will not allow any more such visits, a demand to which, U.S. officials say privately, Washington would not be willing to bow. Mr. Tarnoff was expected to reiterate U.S. recognition

of China but was unlikely to give the guarantee Beijing wants. The expulsion of Mr. Wu, who had campaigned against

China's secretive, sprawling prison system for years, opened a deadlock that enabled U.S. first lady Hillary Rotham Climon to announce she would go ahead with a visit to Beijing for next month's United Nations World Conference on



across a nearby ridgeline and thunder rumbled overhead, President Bill Clinton, on holiday with his family, led a hiking party up a steep trailto see the gray wolves reintroduced here last January.

then a pelting cold rain — and lightning crackling close

good idea.

zone for their helicopter.

Before his rain-soaked trek, he made a helicopter tour of the proposed site of a Canadian-owned gold mine on the northeastern edge of the 2.2 million acre (89,000

They say the mine will also disrupt visitor use of that part

of the park and harm the

economy of small rural towns

nearby. Mr. Clinton, the ninth president to visit Yellowstone, apparently agreed. "I saw thousands of people

today, ordinary Americans, taking their children through this park, people who could never - a lot of them, I imagine - never afford to go to any kind of private resort or private reserve or anything else," he said, referring to the crowds he saw at the

famed "Old Faithful" geyser. "This (park) is a big part of their lives, and it seems to me that one of my most fundamental responsibilities is to make sure it's still around for their children."

Mr. Clinton announced a two-year moritorium on mining claims on 4,500 acres of federally-owned land on the perimeter of the park. While his action does not affect the New World Mine itself, it would limit its growth, and that was sweet music for environmentalists.

"It's another nail in the coffin of this mine, and should send a message to the mining syndicate to go back home to Canada," said Tom Cassidy of the American Riv-

ers environmental group. On Saturday, the president and Mrs. Clinton planned to mark the 75th anniversary of ratification of the 19th amendement, which gave women the right to vote. Wyoming was the first state

## MANILA (R) — Some.

Philippines sex

tours draw 25,000

25,000 Australian nationals visit the Philippines every year on sex tours. A Filipino legislator said Friday Senator Ernesto Herrera said in a statement the figure represents more than a third of the 70,000 Australians who visit the Philippines, and he added that most of them were engaged in child sex while in the country. "We also have documented reports of Britons. Germans and Belgians engaged in the trade and many of them are drawn by the promotional campaigns of both local and foreign sex tour operators," he said. Japanese nationals are also arriving in increasing numbers to the central city of Cebu and Batangas province south of Manila on highly organised sex tours. "For the Herrera said. The Philippines sex attracting them," Sen. British national for lewd behaviour on accusations he fondled two boys in Angeles City north of the capital. Manila also launched a crackdown against prostitution in the city by picking up nearly

700 women and street chil-Pornography network smashed

in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR (AP)— Police seized 4,556 video cassettes of obscene movies, uncovering what is believed to be the biggest pornography network in Malaysia, news reports said. Three people were arrested during a raid Saturday on a two-story house in the southern city of Muar, where tapes smuggled from neighbouring countries were copied en masse and distributed nationwide, the reports said. In a separate incident, police raided a 50-room building in Kuala Lumpur Sunday and uncovered the capital's biggest prostitution den, Zakaria Mohammad of the Criminal Investigation Department said. Five clients and two caretakers were arrested but dozens of prostitutes, mostly Thais, escaped, he told reporters. The incidents highlighted the profusion of smut in Malaysia despite a ban on pornography and prostitution in keeping with its conservative. Muslim-dominated society. Pornographic tapes are freely available in retail outlets for as little as 10 ringgit (\$4) but are sold only to known customers or others they recommend. In Muar, 200 kilometres (120 miles) south of here, police seized tapes worth more than 250,000 ringgit (\$100,000) in the black market, the Star newspaper said. About 1,000 pictures of naked women to be pasted on video jackets also were seized, the New Straits Times reported. It quoted a senior police official. Mohammad Bashir Niamat Ali, as saying that the tapes were produced abroad, prob-

ably in Hong Kong.

U.S. first lady Hillary Clinton arrives at Yellowstone National Park with her husband U.S. President Bill Clinton and their daughter Cheisea (AFP photo)

# Yellowstone back country

NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (R) — As black clouds boiled

The storm hit just as Mr. Clinton, his wife Hillary, daughter Chelsea and her friend Rebecca reached a pen where an adult she-wolf and five cubs were getting accustomed to their new habitat, with the help of some buffalo

Pea-sized hailstones fell,

by. Mr. Clinton and his party initially took shelter under a tree until a park ranger gently suggested that this was not a

"I went to visit the wolves and I got killed by hail. God, are they beautiful," Mr. Clin-ton said after the storm let up enough to let him and his entourage return to a campsite that served as the landing

Mr. Clinton's all-day Friday visit to Yellowstone, the oldest U.S. national park, was not for the faint-hearted hysically unfit.

hectare) park.

Environmentalists fear waste from the mine on Hendrson Mountain will pollute rivers and streams in a section of Yellowstone that is home to grizzly bears,

in the union to actually let Women cast hallots

#### Rushdie regrets converting to Islam LONDON (AFP) — British author Salman Rushdie, who Times ahead of the Septemthey had been sniffing ber launch of his latest novel, is under an Iranian death The Moor's Last Sigh, a tale sentence, told Saturday's

Times newspaper that his conversion to Islam was "the biggest mistake of my life."

"At the time, I was trying to protect The Satanic Verses as the work of someone who really knew Islam," he told the paper. "But it was wrong, because I don't believe in God, so I should not have suggested that I did." Mr. Rushdie converted in

a high-profile irritant to Sino-U.S. relations. 1990 to Islam, the faith he had abandoned as a teenager, Mr. Wu, 58, a naturalised a year after the religious de-U.S. citizen who angered cree, or fatwa, was issued by China by documenting the late Iranian leader charges of human rights Ayatoliah Ruhollah abuses in Chinese labour Khomeini against him for camps, was expelled hours The Satanic Verses, regarded after a court convicted him of as blasphemous by many spying and sentenced him to 15 years imprisonment. He He was speaking to the arrived in San Francisco

of love and money, dreams and lost opportunities within an Indian dynasty.

Speaking of his life since the fatwa was announced, he said he had changed his residence some 30 times since 1989 in order to hide from the people (who) have been sent in Britain to assassinate me. He added that it "has al-

ways and only been the Iranian government" behind planned attempts on his life.

Two members of the Iranian embassy and a student were eventually deported from Britain in connection with his case, he told the

paper.
"There was evidence that

around, gathering information about my movements," he said. "As far as we know, the

(Iranian) embassies in France and Germany are the conduit for instructions from Tehran about my possible assassination," he added. The 48-year-old author.

who was born in Bombay and became a British citizen in 1964, told the Times that writing The Moor's Last Sigh, his first novel since The Satanic Verses, was "a very important step for me."

"I had spent two and a half years talking to politicians, which is not my favourite occupation," he said. "Then I realised it was foolish to let this disagreeable business get in the way of what I love

## Witness: Something wrong with way evidence was handled in Simpson case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A forensic scientist testified that there was "something wrong" in the handling of a blood sample collected near the bodies of O.J. Simpson's ex-wife and her friend.

Henry Lee, testifying for the defence, said Friday that inexplicable blood smudges were found on the inside of paper packaging that held what were supposed to be dry blood samples,

"There may be reason to explain it," Mr. Lee told jurors. "I don't know."

The testimony bolstered the defence's theory of evidence tampering in the police crime lab. The blood sample found in Nicole Brown Simpson's walkway at her condo contains Simpson's genetic markers, tests have shown.

The blood, collected the day the bodies were found on June 13, 1994, was sopped up onto tiny cotton swatches, which were left in a lab cabinet to dry overnight before they were put in a paper a giant picture of the blood-packet, called a bindle. Mr. stained bindle, he conducted fore they were put in a paper

Lee said such swatches should be dry after that much time, raising the question of how a damp swatch ended up in the packaging.

"The only opinion I can give under these circumstances: Something wrong," said Mr. Lee, who returns to court Monday for crossexamination.

Defence lawyer Barry Scheck cited previous testimony from police criminalists, who said the swatches had dried and would not have been placed in the bindle if they were still wet.

Superior Court Judge Lance Ito barred Mr. Lee from describing a blooddrying experiment designed to reinforce his testimony, saying it didn't duplicate the conditions under which the

evidence was stored. Mr. Lee, considered America's top forensic scientist, didn't need the experiment to make his point. With

a show-and-tell demonstration with monster swatches and a picture on a magnetic board.

Asked what was wrong with the stain pattern on the bindle, Mr. Lee replied that there were seven swatches but only four stains. "If seven swatches were

wet, I should see seven trans-fers," he said. "I only see four. The numbers don't add The testimony completed a

week that was dominated by developments outside the jury's presence, most of them involving the Mark Fuhrman On the tapes, recorded be-tween 1985-94, the detective

talks about police brutality

and repeatedly uses the word "nigger."
Mr. Fuhrman, who said he found a bloody glove on Simpson's property, testified at the trial that he hadn't used the word in the last 10 years. The defence claims he is a racist capable of planting

# Meteorite lights up sky in U.S., Canada

DETROIT (AP) — A ty trailers next door were tremendous bluish-green burned slightly, as was a flash of light, apparently from a blazing meteor, illuminated the night sky in a 400-mile (650 kilometre) swath over Ontario and parts of the United States from Michigan to New York state. Police in Windsor, Ontario, just east of Detroit, said they believe a chunk of the meteor slammed into a

vacant mobile home, burning it to the ground. No injuries were reported. But officers scoured the charred remains of the trailer Friday looking for evidence, but couldn't find so much as a rock, Windsor Police Sgt.

Joseph Monteleone said.
"We have nothing to indicate that a meteor hit the trailer," said Staff Sgt. Lloyd Grahame. "We believe it did because it disappeared in. that area, but we can't verify

Peter Brown, a researcher with the University of Western Ontario, said he would be surprised if the fireball caused the trailer fire, citing the lack of reports of residents hearing a sonic boom and the fact that meteorites are no longer hot when they strike Earth. But he said it was too early, to tell for sure.

"It's not impossible, but it's highly unlikely," he said. "There has never been a substantiated case when a meteor lands and causes a

The trailer was a charred frame, with evidence that something had hit its tin roof and gone through. Two empsmall area of grass and weeds around the trailer.

Reports placed the time of the flash at between 12:30 and . 1 a.m. EDT (0430 and 0500 GMT). Shortly before 1 a.m. (0500 GMT), a Windsor patrol officer sighted "a flaming object moving southbound over the skies of Windsor... glowing red with a trail of gases behind it," police Sgt. Ken McFarland said.

"It was about the size of an airplane, with an orange tail behind it, and at the top it seemed to have a crown of greenish light," said Joe Stoc-co of Liverpool, New York, near Syracuse. "I'd never seen anything that had an orange colour like this before. It was pretty interesting."
The fire at the mobile

home - used for storage and located away from occupied homes — was reported shortly afterwards, Detroit radio station WWJ-AM reported. Emergency officials received numerous telephone

calls from the curious and the worried, including many who thought a plane had crashed. The national weather service in Cleveland said the reports of bright lights "are presumed to be a meteor shower... a typical happening

in late August." The Coast Guard received calls from Saginaw Bay, about 100 miles (175 kilometres) north of Detroit, to the St. Lawrence River, about 400 miles (650 kilometres) to the east.

See College ASSESSED TO THE PARTY OF THE PA ROCKPORT, Maine (AP) - Greta Garbo's 1925 date book went for \$4,400 Friday, as the largest privately owned Party A collection of Garbo memorabilia to be sold went up for WALL STREET auction. Other notable sale items included the reclusive A CARRELL MAN film star's 1925 signed con-

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# Gunmen kill 8 workers in Karachi

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# World News

## Yeltsin's heavyweight foes enter election race

MOSCOW (R) — President Boris Yeltsin's two most consistent political foes entered Russia's parliamentary election race Saturday, vowing eventually to oust him from DOWET.

The Communist Party and the Derzhava ("great state") Movement headed by former Vice-President Alexander Rutskoi, a leader of an anti-Yeltsin revolt in 1993, held their congresses to define their platforms and leading candidates.

The party aims seriously at winning the election and is ready to take immediate responsibility for the state of affairs in the country," Com-munist Party leader Gennady Zyuganov told delegates from nearly every Russian

According to all opinion polls, the Communists are front-runners for the Dec. 17 poll to the State Durna lower house of parliament.

Mr. Zyuganov said his party would try to amend the constitution to make the government subject to parliament. He did not mention the post of president but his party has said it is opposed to a presidential system in Russia.

Deceived people gave power to this regime and they should take it away by constitutional means," he declared.

Russia hangs over an abyss and pleads for hel," Mr. Zyuganov said. "The country may be saved only by changing the current political

A well-written election

platform contained simple slogans likely to win sympathy among millions of disenchanted Russians, weary of the hardships of market reforms, surging crime and fall-

ing living standards.

Mr. Zyuganov and other delegates said they would not form any blocs with other parties on the national level but called on other left-wing groupings to work together in individual constituences.

Half of the 450 Duma deputies will be elected in individual constituencies while the rest will be elected from

Mr. Yeltsin is showing a keen interest in the election, which is widely expected to be a litmus test for a presidential poll due to be held next June.

Mr. Rutskoi told his supporters his top priority was "to restore great Russia within the boundaries of the former Soviet Union."

The former vice-president led a rebellion in Moscow in 1993 staged by supporters of the Soviet-era parliament which had refused to obey Mr. Yeltsin's order to step down. He spent several months in prison and was then released under an

Mr. Rutskoi's number two on the election list is Viktor Kobelev, a little known politician who is believed to have masterminded a successful election campaign of ultra-nationalist Vladimir Zhirinovsky but broke with him earlier this year.

On the democratic front, Russia's Choice of the former market reform supremo Yegor Gaidar was expected to form an election alliance later Saturday with the Party of Social Democracy led by Alexander Yakovlev.

Mr. Yakoviev, dubbed Mr. Galsnost in the West for his role in Mikhail Gorbachev's perestroika policies, is trying a political comeback.

Scores of parties take part

in the pre-election battle but all of them are closely watching the latest potentially powerful newcomer - the "Our Home Is Russia" centre-right bloc formed by Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin with Mr. Yeltsin's

blessing. Mr. Chernomyrdin got a boost Saturday when power-ful Moscow Mayor Yuri Luzhkov announced his support to the movement,

Mr. Chernomyrdin said Saturday his movement would fight against extremists who sought to foment an anti-democratic uprising during the election campaign.

Opening his coalition's Moscow city branch, Mr. Chernomyrdin said Our Home Is Russia was against those who wished to turn the Dec. 17 parliamentary elections "into the prologue of another 1917" revolution, Interfax News Agency reported.

The coalition would fight against those who tried to get rid of the constitutional pillars of the state, abundon the presidency and redistribute property," he said, adding that the bloc would launch its election campaign in the next few days. "We must offer the people

of Russia, wherever they live, concrete solutions to their problems, since strong economies in the regions mean a strong economy in Russia,"

"We want to win the elections, but not at the cost of the reasonable things we have attained, not at the cost of reform." Mr. Chernomyrdin said the

gubernatorial elections in the Sverdlovsk region of the Urals last Sunday proved that Our Home Is Russia "will be judged by how it works rather than by what it prom-

The Russian government suffered a serious setback last weekend when Eduard Rossel defeated the outgoinggovernor of the industrial Šverdlovsk region, Alexei Strakhov, handpicked by President Boris Yeltsin two

Mr. Strakhov was backed by Our Home Is Russia. Mr. Rossel, who won nearly 60 per cent of the vote, was sacked by Mr. Yeltsin as Sverdlovsk governor in 1993 after he tried to create an autonomous republic of the

Mr. Yeltsin was formerly first secretary of the Communist Party in Sverdlovsk. The region's capital, renamed Yekaterinburg, lies 1,400 kilometres (840 miles) east of Moscow,

# France to hold nuclear tests in S. Pacific despite protesters

PAPEETE, Tahiti (R) -France will conduct a nuclear test even if anti-nuclear protest boats are inside the exclusion zone around Mururoa Atoll or inside the atoll's lagoon itself, the French naval commander of the South Pacific said Friday.

"Our ships are in the lagoon when we have tests and they are totally safe." Vice-Admiral Philippe Euverte told Reuters in an interview in the Tahitian capital, Page-

Asked whether the explosion would go ahead if protest boats were inside the 12 mile (20 kilometres) exclusion zone or lagoon. Adm. Euverte said: "We have no problem with that."

"If there were many ships coming at the same time and we cannot catch all of them. we can perfectly achieve our tests," Adm. Euverte said. "I am not sure a lot of

them have decided to enter the zone," he said, adding he believed the long voyage and rough seas would prevent some protest boats from reaching Mururoa and leave others too tired to attempt such action.

Greenpeace's flagship Rainbow Warrior is en route to Mururua to head a protest flotilla of between 20 and 30 boats and has said it will breach the Mururoa exclusion zone.

In July, the Rainbow Warrior attempted to enter the

Mururoa Lagoon and was rammed by a French tug and stormed by commandos.

Adm. Euverte said he had 15 ships, including two frigates and three patrol boats, as well as commandos armed with tear gas, to protect the territorial water around France's main test site.

"I will decide on the day how many ships will be used to match the ships present," he said. However, Adm. Euverte

conceded he might have trouble controlling inflatable zodiac boats currying protes-

Rainbow Warrior launched several such boats in July and was able to get two protesters inside the lagoon and chained to a drilling rig.

The problem with the zodiacs is if they put them at sea during night time and outside the 12 miles we cannot keep control, we cannot keep them in sight, and it means there is no way we can catch them when they try to enter," he said.

"If we can catch them before it is better, if we don't see them or the seas are too rough we can wait until they are inside, it doesn't make a difference," he said.

Adm. Euverte said a cable had been placed across the entrance to the Mururoa lagoon after the last attempt to enter by Rainbow Warrior. The pass is barred," he said.

in its protest at Mururoa to breach the exclusion zone. but gave no details.

said it would use a helicopter

But Adm. Euverte played down the significance of the 12 mile zone, saying it was the principle of territorial waters that was important. "We want the principle of

French territorial waters to be respected and we will make it be respected, but whether it will be at 12 or eight or four, that's a matter of circumstances," he said. While the French Navy and

Greenpeace shape-up for their confrontation, antinuclear protesters in Tahiti Friday gathered momentum for a peace march Saturday and a major around-theisland rally starting Monday.

But France's top official in Polynesia Friday denied claims by the protesters that the tests had been postponed. "All the measures have been taken for the test sequence to be totally executed," said France's High Commissioner for French Polynesia Paul Ronciere.

Speculation on the date of the first of eight nuclear tests suggests Paris will begin the series of detonations within the first few days of Septem-

Meanwhile, Greenpeace confirmed Friday it would deploy a helicopter off France's Mururoa Atoll nucler blast site in an unpre-On Friday, Greenpeace redented show of force aimed at preventing the resumption of underground testing in the South Pacific.

Anti-nuclear campaigners aboard the Greenpeace flagship, the Rainbow War-rior II, which is sailing for the atoll from Tahiti, told Reuters the helicopter was aboard the MV Greenpeace, another protest ship also sail-

ing for Mururoa. Greenpeace plans to have a total of four ships deployed off Mururoa by early next month said Greenneace's international anti-nuclear campaigner Stephanie Mills.

"It (the helicopter) is a different kind of tool," Ms. Mills said, declining to say how it would be used. French authorities in Tahiti have told Greenpeace the helicopter is also excluded from flying within 12 miles (20 kilometres) of the atoll, she

The helicopter, owned by Greenpeace, was last used a few months ago in a daring campaign to prevent Shell oil from dumping a disused oil rig in the North Sea. The helicopter dropped two Greenpeace campaigners onto the Brent Spar Rig.

"I really think it (the protest) is the biggest in terms of Greenpeace ships," said another anti-nuclear campaigner, Jean-Luc Thierry. Greenpeace has held protests at the atoll since the early

## **Doubts arise over Anglo-Irish summit**

government declined comment Saturday on reports that an Anglo-Irish summit next month may be postponed because of lack of progress towards breaking deadlock on key issues.

A spokesman for Prime Minister John Major said the two governments had not fixed a firm date but were still working on the assumption that Mr. Major and his Irish counterpart, John Bruton, would be meeting some time land. next month.

He was commenting on reports in the Irish media that Dublin did not consider the meeting worthwhile because Britain had failed to announce any new initiative to brreak deadlock in the peace process for Northern Ireland.

The meeting was tentative-ly scheduled for Sept. 6 and the two leaders were expected to announce news to advance the process to coincide with the first anniversary of the Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrilla truce that launched peace in the British province.

But senior Irish officials said the summit was in doubt because it seemed unlikely that the two governments would be able to announce anything to break deadlock over British demands that the IRA hand over its weapons.

KARACHI, Pakistan (R) -

Masked gunmen shot dead

eight labourers after dragging

them into a shanty town

house in the southern port

city of Karachi Saturday, wit-

Earlier police said the

assailants had burst into the

house and had shot the

labourers, apparently as they

into a house owned by two

nesses said.

them again.

inches (38 cms).

"People were having fun

main thoroughfare, said Chip

Hoffman, a concessionaire at

the U.N. "Ding" Darling

the resort island's

"There is little point in staging the summit on the planned date unless there is something worthwhile to say," a senior Irish official was quoted as saying in the

Dublin media. Britain and Ireland have worked for two years to try to find a lasting solution to the Northern Ireland conflict to reconcile the wish of Protestant Unionists to stay British and Catholic Irish nationalists to be reunited with Ire-

The two governments say they have managed to settle differences amicably and Irish officials dismissed suggestions that there was now a major rift between Dublin and London or that the summit might have to be cancel-

led altogether. Britain Friday announced an easing of prison remission terms for jailed guerrillus to try to nudge the peace process out of stalemate.

The move was welcomed by the Dublin government but received only a lukewarm response from Sinn Fein, political arm of the IRA which fought British rule for

British and Irish officials are working on proposals to persuade the IRA and Protestant guerrillas into surrendering their arms and explosives. One formula being

staying with them. The eight

men were bound, blindfold

and shoved into a small

room, where they were shot

The gunmen fired again as

they made their escape,

wounding to people who had

come out to see what was

dead, residents said.

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floated is that an international commission he set to deal with the issue.

Britain says Sinn Fein cannot be invited to such talks until the IRA starts disarming but Sinn Fein says the issue can only be discussed at all-party talks, not before

The Irish prime minister is due to visit Canada from Sept. 8 to 16 so any summit might have to be postponed until after his return, Irish officials said.

The United States Friday, welcomed a speech by Northern Ireland Secretary Sir Patrick Maynew, announcing the phased early freedom for some guerrillas, as "another important step forward" in the peace process.

"The specific initiatives he announced... are all significant steps toward reconciliation in Northern Ireland." the State Department said in a written statement.

'As the year anniversary of the ceasefire nears, we urge all parties to continue to build on that important peace and work toward a lasting settlement to the tragic conflict that has cost so many lives," it said.

The statement noted that many difficult issues remained and said the United States was ready to help in resolving them.

most in their early 20s, had

been shot repeatedly at close

Police said at least six peo-

The government and the

ethnic Mohajir National Movement (MQM) plan to

ple, including two policemen.

were killed in separate inci-

dents in Karachi Friday.

# Yeltsin break in Chechen

GROZNY, Russia (R) President Boris Yeltsin is worried by a deadlock in peace talks with Chechen rebels and hopes his new personal representative, Oleg Lobov, can find a way out, an official said Saturday.

somewhat deadlocked. No one dares make a move in this stalemate," said Valery Kadzhaya, spokesman for Mr. Lobov, who is a longtime Yeltsin ally and hold the influential post of secretary of Russia's Security Council.

"Lobov is the very person who can unti the knot without cutting it," Mr. Khadzhaya said in the Chechen capital Grozny.

The post gives Mr. Lobov wide powers to coordinate all Moscow's activities in Chechenya, an historically Muslim, non-Slavic region in the north Caucasus where eight-months of conflict between Russian forces and Chechen separatists have killed thousands of people.

Mr. Lobov's appointment Thursday has the effect of upgrading Mr. Yeltsin's personal involvement in the conflict. Peace talks began two months ago but there has been no progress on the most sensitive issue — Checheny-

a's political future. The rebels want full independence, while Moscow. which sent in thousands of troops last December, insists the region should remain part of Russia.

But the Chechen rebels, who welcomed the idea of

making Security Council, which had advised Mr. Yeltsin to use force in Chechenya last autumn, could hardly be the right person to negotiate

"Lobov is one of those who started the war, he is one of the authors of the Chechen tragedy," said Mr. Dudayev's spokesman Movlen Salamov. "Lobov has shown his commitment to the use of force, he cannot be impartial. The Chechen side is deeply disappointed by his appoint-

Grozny. The peace talks between Russia and separatist rebels launched in June have produced a truce and a military agreement.

ment," he told reporters in

Under the military deal signed on July 30 the rebels agreed to lay down their arms in return for a partial withdrawal of Russian troops, sent to Chechenya last December to queli its three-year independence bid.

## Sri Lanka police drive off rebel attack; 58 killed

COLOMBO (Agencies) -Hundreds of rebels attacked a police post in eastern Sri Lanka Saturday but were driven off with heavy losses in a three-hour mortar and machinegua battle, army

headquarters said. Two dozen Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eclam (LTTE) guerrialias were found dead around the special task force police commando post at Ampilanturai, 12 miles (20 kilometres) south of Batticaloa, the army said.

Military sources told the national news agency that total rebel dead were estimated at 50. Police had monitored radio instructions to the Tigers to fall back taking

their dead with them. Eight police were killed and II wounded in the battle. the agency reported. Police collected a large

stock of guerrilla weapons and ammunition, including machine guns, torpedoes and mortar bombs, after the attack, the news agency said. Ampilanturai lies inland from Batticaloa Lagoon, surrounded by flat ricelands.

Police commandos are the only government force on that side of the lagoon since army troops were transferred big government to boost a offensive in the north.

Of the 800 square miles (2,000 square kilometres) of the Batticaloa administrative district, 600 square miles (1,500 square kilometres) are now under the control of guerrillas fighting for an independent homeland in northern and eastern Sri Lanka, a resident told Reuters.

Tamils make up 18 per cent of Sri Lanka's population. They have complained for generations of discrimination in land, language and education by the majority Sinhalese. The war started in 1983 and has killed more than 50,000 people.

The Tigers broke a ceasefire with the government on April 19 after four rounds of peace talks, rejecting government invitations to look at have since stepped up attacks against the armed forces and civilian targets.

A Tiger suicide bomber earlier this month killed 24 people in Colombo.

Foreign Minister Laksinman Kadirgamar Friday ruled out peace talks with the Tigers until they laid down their arms and renounced their calls for a separate

The latest rebel strike came just hours after top Buddhist monks demanded that the government first de-feat the Tamil Tigers before implementing a peace plan unveiled by President Chandrika Kumaratunga last

## Heavy rains hit S. Korea, 52 killed or missing

SEOUL (R) — At least 36 people have been killed and 16 reported missing as torrential rains lashed South Korea for a fourth day Saturday with no sign of a let-up, emergency services officials

The National Disaster Centre said the death toll since heavy rains struck large parts of the country had risen to 36 with at least 16 reported missing and feared dead as of

4 p.m. (0700 GMT) Saturday. The latest confirmed victims were two people buried by a landslide in Kyongsang province in the southeast

Saturday, an official at the centre said. Earlier in the day a 40-

year-old woman died when her truck overturned in floods in the same province.

It said an average of more than 300 mm (12 inches) of rain had hit centreal areas. Emergency services officials went on heightened alert

"More casualties are expected as downpours continue in some central areas," the official told Reuters. There has been about 620

millimetres of rainfall recorded in Boryong county, 150 kilometres southwest of Seoul, since early Wednesday, the centre said.

as typhoon Janis, moving northeast at 32 kph (20 mph) headed for a landfall on the

west coast of the peninsula

late Saturday.

more flooding with Janis expected to dump up to 150 mm (six inches) of additional rain on central areas by Sunday. including the capital, Seoul.

They had forecast up to 250 mm (10 inches) of rainfall in those areas but later revised that figures downwards as Janis was found to be weakening as it approached

the peninsula. The Han River Flood Control Centre has issued warnings against possible floods

along the river, which bisects "We barely escaped floods along the river last night," an official at the centre said.

"Flooding is unlikely but we

are not completely safe yet,

with the typhoon coming

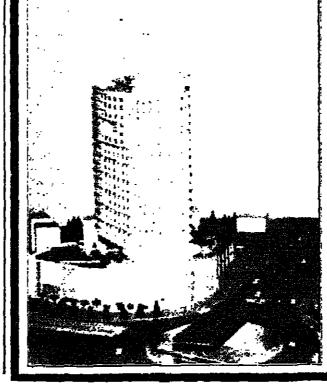
up."
The disaster centre official said police had set up roadblocks in more than 20 districts in the capital since late Friday, including on two main bridges over the Han River, causing extremely heavy

rush-hour traffic. The river overflowed in the summer of 1990 when heavy rainstorm caused extensive

damage. Dozens of schools in the central and eastern provinces of Chungchong and Kangwon were closed because of flood-

More than 11,000 people in rain-stricken areas have been forced to evacuate their homes, the official said.

#### الشركة الدولية للفنادق والاسواق التجارية resume talks Tuesday to try to end violence in Karachi Most of the people in the area are migrant workers دعوة تأهيل فندق شير أتون Al Dawliyah for HOTELS and MALLS dealing with Mr. Yeltsin's from the small town of that has cost more than 1,300 Residents said at least 15 Hazara region of the North lives this year. personal representative attackers had arrived in an rather than a more junior West Frontier Province. alley deep inside the squatter The talks have been stalled delegates, appeared far from since July 31. The MQM, led by Londonsettlement early in the morn-Police said they did not know the motive for the optimistic about the Russian ing, firing in the air. The gunmen, saying they president's choice. Announces based Altaf Hussain, gets attack and there was no im-A senior aide of the rebel support from Karachi's were policemen, broke into mediate claim of responsibilleader Dzhokhar Dudavev several houses and rounded majority Mohajirs, Urduity. They refused to confirm said a member of the policy-The near start of construction of its speaking Muslims who miup five people. or deny the account given by They hustled their captives grated from India at the time



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#### brothers who had a relative Tropical storm passes over Florida National Wildlife Refuge on MIAMI (AP) - The rainy Sanibel. "The kids love it. remains of tropical storm Jerthe Atlantic. They play in the puddles. ry chugged north Friday into Georgia, leaving behind streams for streets in Florida Their biggest concern is to

Doctors said the dead men.

watch out for alligators." and residents fearing that Meanwhile, tropical storm storms behind it could flood Iris threatened Martinique and other Caribbean islands Meteorologists said the with 50 mph (80 kph) winds. skies in Jerry's wake should Tropical storm winds exclear, at least for the tended 160 miles (255 weekend, offering some rekilometres) from the storm's spite to Naples, which was

centre. inundated with morre than 16 Fears of heavy rains and inches (41 cms) of rains, and winds along with the possibilthe gulf coast island of ity of an eruption from a Sanibel, which received 15 centuries-dormant volcano prompted the government of Montserrat to offer free riding jet skis on Periwinkle flights off the 7-by-11 mile (11-by-18 kilometre) island. Hundreds of miles away.

Hurricane Humberto carried

105 mph (168 kph) winds, but

it looked like less of a threat after shifting north deep in A1 11 p.m. EDT (0300

of partition in 1947.

GMT Saturday), Humberto was centred about 1,450 miles (2,320 kilometres) west of the Cape Verde Islands off Africa, headed northwest near 14 mph (22.34 kph) and likely to weaken slowly. Iris was about 20 miles (32 kilometres) east of St. Lucia, moving west near 10 mph (10 kph) and expected to hit the island Saturday.

Jerry became the 10th named storm of the 1995 hurricane season, the most active to date in 125 years, when it formed Wednesday off Florida's Atlantic coast. The record for named storms in the six-month season was 21 in 1933.

# hopes for deadlock

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## Sanctions are divisible too

A CLOSE SCRUTINY of relevant U.N. Security Council resolutions on Iraq would reveal that there is a strong case for easing or lifting the sanctions imposed on the country on a gradual basis and in proportion to the extent that Baghdad goes to meet its obligations under those resolutions. A case in point is the ability of Iraq to market its oil products when the country fulfils its obligations under the Resolution 687 adopted in 1991.

Operative paragraph 22 of this resolutionstipulates that all prohibitions against the export of commodities and products originating in Iraq and all restrictions against financial transactions related thereto as contained in Security Council Resolution 661 (1991) shall have no further force or effect when Baghdad completes all actions envisioned in paragraphs 8,9,10,11,12 and 13 of Resolution 687 and the agreement of the council of the measures called for by paragraph 19 of the same resolution. Obviously what the resolutions mean here is Iraqi oil since it is the singular most important commodity of product originating from the

Paragraph 19 mentions the necessary steps that should be undertaken for the purpose of the "Fund" that aims to make compensations to states, parties and individuals with claims against Iraq. As for paragraphs 8,9,10,12, and 13, which Iraq must fulfil in order to lift the sanctions on sale of its oil, they are all related to the destruction of chemical, biological and other mass destruction weapons including their means of delivery and all research programmes related to

The point to make here is that the U.N. has imposed a variety of obligations on the Iraqi regime and that the fulfilment of some, as clearly shown by Resolution 687, will mean and must mean the lifting of the sanctions on the sale of Iraqi oil to the outside world, subject of course to the requirements of the "Fund" that was created to compensate parties with claims against Iraq. In other words, Baghdad's responsibilities for the purpose of the sale of its oil are not related to the other obligations that are stipulated in other resolutions.

While we continue to apply pressure on Iraq to make amends with the international community, we must also remain fair in so far as paying Iraq its dues.

No less than international legitimacy and the credibility of the U.N. are at stake.

#### ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

A WRITER in Al Dustour commented on recent revela-tions by retired Israeli army officers about mass killings of Egyptian prisoners of war in 1956 and 1967. Mohammad Kawash said that the massacres could well be part of a series of other crimes not yet revealed by the Israelis who continue to commit atrocities in Palestine. Describing as barbaric the actions of the Israeli army officers who gave the order for killing the prisoners, the writer said that it was surprising that Egypt's protests and demands for investiga-tions to be conducted into this affair were not backed by any part — Arab or foreign. The world has turned a deaf ear to these attroctites but has never failed to support Israel's ongoing repression against the Arab people of Palestine committed in defiance of all international rules, continued the writer. The killing of the prisoners of wear continued the writer. The killing of the prisoners of war should not be condoned but rather exposed as a horrible crime against humanity, and special monument should be erectrd in the same spot where the crimes were committed to stand as an eternal witness to Israel's war crimes, he said. The writer said that not a single Israeli war prisoner have ever been reported killed in all Arab-Israeli wars since

THE PITIABLE conditions in Ruseifa, a city located between Amman and Zarqa and inhabited by quarter of a million people, was the subject of an article published in Al Ra'i daily Saturday. Ahmad Arafat, a columnist, described as miserable the life of the Ruseifa people, who he said do not enjoy basic services like public transportation like other towns and are subjected to pollution resulting from the garbage dump close to residential districts and the falling dust from the defunct phosphate mines in its vicinity. The writer said that the city's children do not have any public parks, the residents have no public library, clubs and the residents can only hope for passing cars commuting between Amman and Zarqa to make their trip to either

Sunday's Economic Pulse

# Not the way to protect consumers

THE WHOLESALE price index, calculated by the Central Bank, rose during the second quarter of 1995 by two percentage points in comparison with the same quarter of 1994. At the same time, the cost of living index, compiled by the Department of Statistics, rose in June 1995 by 2.1 percentage points in comparison with June 1994.

The above figures suggest that the going inflation rate in Jordan, between June 1994 and June 1995, was around 2 per cent. But the National Society for the Protection of Consumers (NSPC) issued a study claiming that the cost of living in 1995 is 11.8 per cent higher than in 1994.

A copy of this study was handed to me by the director of

NSPC when I was making a testimony during a hearing. session held by the joint Judicial and Financial Committees of Parliament, over the tax laws package presented by the government to improve the climate for investments in the country. I chose not to criticise the NSPC's document or write about it because I did not want to participate in its spread, which may cause further damage and confusion. However, one of our daily newspapers, unfortunately, volunteered to print it.

The society has picked up 117 consumer commodities. It compared the average prices of those commodities in 1995. with their average prices in 1994. It found that the prices of 78 commodities rose at an average of 14.3 per cent, the

prices of nine commodities dropped by an average of 13.5 per cent, and the prices of 30 commodities remained the

In its second step the society excluded the 30 commodities with unchanged prices as being neutral. It then went on to calculate the average of price changes of the remaining 87 commodities. It found that the average net change of prices was 11.5 per cent. The conclusion of the study was that the cost of living in Jordan has risen by 11.5

The methodology of this study is a collection of gross errors and compound mistakes. The result was, of course,

First, the study did not mention any dates or places for taking the prices, and whether they were taken from the same places or from different places.

Second, the choice of 117 commodities was not based on any known criteria. They have nothing to do with the budget of an average Jordanian family, which the society

did not bother to survey.

Third, the study treated the 117 commodities as if they had equal importance to the average family. It simply calculated the arithmetic average without giving a specific weight for each commodity. Thus fuel and baglawa were

treated on equal footing.

Fourth, the researcher excluded the commodities whose prices did not change. For instance, if the price of commodity A rose by 20 per cent, the price of commodity B declined by 2 per cent, and the price of commodity C remained stable, the average is not 9 per cent as the society may conclude, but 6 per cent only. But averaging percentages of price changes without giving relative weights to each commodity is not acceptable.

Fifth, upon checking the list of chosen commodities we found 14 of them representing hygiene paper, eight representing forms of yogurt, and five representing various brands of soft drinks, which will give these commodities more weight in the study than in the budget of an average

Sixth, the study neglected many important commodities such as bread, fuel, water and electricity. In fact it totally ignored all services which form at least 25 per cent of the average family budget, including transportation, medical care other than medicine. education, communication, bouse rents, etc.

It is one thing to make a serious study and another to play recklessly with figures to mislead the public and the decision makers alike.

M. KAHIL

# Washington believes elements falling in place to topple Iraqi regime

By Jack Redden

AMMAN — Five years af-United States forged the coalition that drove Iraq from Kuwait, Washington may finally have the missing element needed for a strategy to remove Iraqi President Saddam Hussein from pow-

A televised attack on the A televised attack on the Iraqi regime this week by His Majesty King Hussein left Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein more isolated than at any time since he took over as president in 1979. Jordan, in return, finds relations suddenly improving with Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, two unrelenting enemies of President Saddam who have previously refused to forgive King Hussein's neutrality in the

1991 war. "The cards are all there," one diplomat said in summarising the U.S. position. "How it is just a question of progressing with caution and sensitivity to the local sentiment of all these countries con-

U.S. analysts in Washington have said that the United States is looking to Iraq's neighbours to press for President Saddam's removal.

The prospect of change emerged with the Aug. 8 defection to Jordan of members of President Saddam's inner circle - two of his sons-in-law and their

"Now it is just a question of progressing with caution and tions to remove President Saddam. Both elements sensitivity to the local sentiment."

wives — along with his most carefully guarded sec-rets. A guiding hand ever since has been the United

Washington appears to sense the best chance to unseat President Saddam since unsuccessful revolts erupted in Iraq as his army fled in disarray from U.S.-led forces in 1991. Britan, Washington's closest West-ern ally in Iraq, praised the King's "courageous and significant" speech.

Although King Hussein did not cut economic ties

with Iraq — something Washington would like — he said Jordan was looking for alternatives, such as Saudi Arabia, to its dependence on Iraqi oil in case of a disruption.

The King gave his speech, one of the harshest words he had ever had for the Iraqi leader, after talks with senior U.S. officials touring the Middle East to increase pressure on Presi-

dent Saddam. "There goal was to work with our friends and partners in the region to help in our effort to make sure that we could stand by Jordan,' the State Department said

as the U.S. mission ended. Diplomats said the mission, led by Assistant Secretary of State Robert Pelletreau, which included talks in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait, appeared to have

mixed success.

Saudi Arabia, which sent its intelligence chief to Amman after the defections, seems ready to bury their 1990 differences and restore normal relations. That could include reopening the oil pipeline to Jordan closed when Amman did not agree with Saudi Arabia's policy on how to re-verse Iraq's invasion of Kuwait.

But Kuwaitis, who forced out hundreds of thousands of Jordanian workers after their country was liberated, remained suspicious of U.S. overtures to help Jordan, diplomats said.

The King's speech may have been the reassurance Kuwait wanted. "We can consider this as a turning point in Jordan's position towards the Iraqi regime." one Kuwaiti official said.

A Western diplomat said Kuwait had wanted to hear concern about Kuwaitis sion and support of sanc-

It is not easy for Jordan to make the break. Popular support for Iraq remains. strong, Jordan is totally dependent on Iraqi oil and there is a fear of Iraqi agents creating trouble. "They are very nervous

- and they should be," said one diplomat.

While not ordering an unpopular closing of the Iraqi border — the King said it would impose extra suffering on people already short of food and medicine — he unequivocally joined those who think it is time for a change.

That message was reinforced with praise for Lieutenant-General Hussein Kamel Hassan, the key defector and mastermind of Iraq's secret military prog-rammes. The general called from the Royal Court for the overthrow of President Saddam.

Having further isolated President Saddam and intimidated him with military manoeuvres, Washington's next step is unclear. Iraq, appealing for good rela-tions despite the King's words, appears to fear that Jordan will tighten the economic noose.

Following the tilt in the-Jordanian position towards the U.S. position on the Iraqi regime, the hope is strange here that Saddam will not last long.

## **LETTERS**

# 'Mission impossible'

To the Editor:

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE involves the agony of trying to make a telephone call in Amman. Police: stations are filled with telephone sets filing complaints against their users for physical abuse. Oh, if only I could find out who is behind the recording on the telephone. I am sure many share this "friendly" feeling with me. Anyway, I will not get into details since everybody knows about it, whether they have telephones or not. Rumour has it that this subject has become part of the curriculum at schools and

therefore, is compulsory.

With the Middle East and North Africa Economic Summit (MENA) on the way, I am sure that the participants would want to make several phone calls here and there. The stock market will be booming through this period, too. Everybody will be expecting positive results and therefore, communication will be a vital factor in ensuring the success of this summit. I do have a recommendation for the authorities to overcome this problem.

It seems that this problem will not be attended to soon, and, in order to save the authorities and Jordan the embarrassment, I would recommend that we use messenger pigeons, the ones our ancestors used when sending their messages from one place to another. These friendly birds will not cost the ministry a penny. Besides, they are pollution free. This way we can ensure that communication is uninterrupted and prove to everyone that this is not mission impossible

This is a reasonable solution for the time being since many have lost faith in the Ministry of isily those who paid tripl charge and have been waiting for years for Santa Clause to climb down their chimney with the prom-

Just a thought for the day!

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## Arafat, Natanyahu and suicide bombers

To the Editor:

ON THE very day on which Israel proudly announced that it had transferred to the Palestine National Authority (PNA) in the Gaza Strip and Jericho powers to act in eight fields of governmental administrative activity (albeit unimportant powers such as postal services, insurance and the like), a suicide bomber, presumably a Palestinian exploded a bomb aboard a Jersualem bus, killing himself (or herself) and five passengers and wounding about 100 states.

other persons.

That same evening, the leader of the opposition in the Israeli Knesset, Benyamin Natanyahu, was interviewed on Israeli television and stated, among other things, that in his opinion the peace negotiations, which the Rabin government is carrying out with the Palestinians, cannot bring about the peace to which Israel aspires. He broadly hinted that if Yasser Arafat, to whom Mr. Rabin is magnanimously turning over authority in Gaza, is upable to put an

Palestinians, cannot bring about the peace to which Israel aspires. He broadly hinted that if Yasser Arafat, to whom Mr. Rabin is magnanimously turning over authority in Gaza, is unable to put an end to Hamas "terrorist" activities against Israelis, then he probably condones them.

In all fairness to Mr. Arafat, it must be pointed that all the suicide bombings to date took place inside Israel proper or Israeli controlled territory. It is hardly likely, therefore that the suicide around the waist could have come from the Gaza Strip without being detected by the vigilant and omnipresent Israeli army in the logical assumption is that the explosive devices were actually. Be that as it may, and regardless of the location in which the problem of terrorism cannot be solved by a tightening of the screws on the already beleaguered Yasser Arafat, nor by scrapping do. Such a course of action would only deepen the suspicion and peoples everywhere still feel, particularly in the West Bank, the notwithstanding Israel's peace treaties with these two countries. may succeed in concluding with the governments of its neighbour-security, guarantee its internal econity, guarantee its internal econity.

Israel would do well to remember that no peace treaties which it may succeed in concluding with the governments of its neighbouring. Arab states would in all probability ensure its cross border security, guarantee its internal security simply because it is internal security simply because it is internal security controls to the extent necessary to prevent all trespassing on and invading the domain of personal rights and liberties to which a citizen is entitled under the constitution.

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In my humble opinion, the only course open to Israel, if it honestly aspires to achieve a lasting peace with the Arab World honesty aspires to achieve a lasting peace with the Arab World and to become an accepted family member of the Arab Middle Eastern states, is to convince the Arab people (not only their goals by returning all the Arab lands it occupied in the 1967 war to would be well advised to stop harping on its security needs, and impede the progress of the negotiations in the hope of extracting more territorial and other concessions from its Arab neighbours.

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# U.S., China face rough road ahead

By Sarah Jackson-Han

WASHINGTON — China and the United States took major steps towards easing their strained ties with the release of a jailed Chinese-American activist and the decision to let First Lady Hillary Clinton go to Beij-

But experts agree the two face a rough road as they address outstanding bilateral issues, from human rights and missile sales to China's stepped-up military manoeuvering and U.S. re-lations with China's bitter

rival, Taiwan. "The stakes are very high," said James Lilley, a former U.S. ambassador to China and currently a fellow at the American Enterprise institute here.

"You've got some really major problems," he said, citing the danger of a regional arms race with successive upgrades of the Chinese arsenal matched by upgrades in U.S. arms sold to Taiwan.

Even as the announce-ment of Mrs. Clinton's trip was being made in Yellowstone National Park, where the first family was visiting, Under Secretary of State Peter Tarnoff was in Beijing for talks with Chinese officials.

Human rights, trade and economic issues, Taiwan, and China's alleged export

of M-11 missiles in violation of an agreement not to sell such technology are all likely to arise in those discussion, State Department officials say. Mr. Tarnoff "is also

trying the lay the ground-work" for additional highlevel contacts, one State Department official said Friday. Those could include a summit between President Bill Clinton and his Chinese counterpart, Jiang Zemin.

They would also include a resumption of military and other exchanges that China broke off in anger after the president of Taiwan was allowed to pay a private U.S. visit in June,

reversing a longstanding ban on U.S. visits of any kind by ranking Taiwan China, which still claims

sovereignty over Taiwan and has never ruled out the use of force to reclaim it, bristles at moves that appear to bolster, Taiwan's international standing. Its official press has kept

up a steady attack on Washington for allowing the Taiwan President Lee Teng-Hui's visit.

For the last two months however China's detention of Harry Wu, a U.S. citizen and human rights campaigner, on charges of espionage and U.S. efforts to obtain his release have dominated relations.

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# **Features**

## Banks allowed to lend, invest in foreign currency

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foreign currency and to withdraw or transfer any part of deposited funds without any conditions.

Bankers quoted by Reuters said limiting banks to fixed or floating rate prime bond issues and key government debt bonds with a maximum 10-year maturity was to ensure investments were in lesser credit risk instruments.

Banks were restricted to placing foreign exchange holdings in overseas banks, usually utilised in the lower yield Eurodollar deposit mar-

Investing in bonds and in-

#### Sanctions could be eased, but not lifted in short term (Continued from page 1) block the lifting of the embar-

The belief among official and non-official circles in Jordan is that the United States will not allow for lifting the embargo before the toppling of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, His Majesty King Hussein indicated that much Wednesday in his address to the nation in which he critiused Iraqi policies, Informed sources said that Jordan was given a clear message by Washington that the sanctions will not be lifted before the Iraqi regime is changed. They said the message was

fore the Aug. 8 defection of Hussein Kamel Hassan, a top Iraqi official. Accordingly, they say, the U.S. will continue on rejecting Iraq's claims that it has met its obligations under U.N. resolutions, with the difficulty in proving that it is respecting the human rights of all Iraqis providing it with the ground for arguing in favour of keeping the sanc-

conveyed to the Kingdom be-

The latest indication of the fight that the U.S. will put up against lifting the sunctions came Friday when the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Madeleine Albright, followed the traditional hardline the U.S. adopted towards Iraq in denying Baghdad any credit for revealing new data about its biological weapons to Mr. Ekeus.

latest step did more to show its low credibility than to: increase the chances for lifting the sanctions. For Iraq to regain its cre-

Ms. Albright said Iraq's

dibility," said Ms. Albright, it has a very long way to

- Many observers believe that "long way" will not be covered before the ousting of President Suddam and that the United States has enough clout and the legal power through its veto right, to ternational capital markets was on a case-by-case basis. Banks have to put aside 35 per cent of foreign deposits as compulsory reserves with the Central Bank.

Jordan's 21 private banks have a total deposit base of JD 5.512 billion (\$7 billion which include JD 2.070 billion (\$2.9 billion) in foreign сиптенсу.

Bankers say the new rules will allow banks to increase their profitability by investing in higher yield debt instru-ments. While placing safeguards against high risk issues.

"It will give local banks more avenues to invest their

nian banks,

non-dinar funds.

And with the recent defection to Jordan of Lieutenant-General Hassan, the U.S. appears more hopeful that its efforts to topple President Saddam will soon bear fruit.

Washington sees the delection as a major blow to the Iraqi regime U.S. officials have increased their sabrerattling against the Iraqi regime since the defection. which they have viewed as significant step towards its removal. Accordingly, the U.S. is more likely to increase the pressure against Bughdad now that it believes its ambition of toppling President Suddam uppears closer to realisation than ever.

That will translate into action aimed at tightening the noose around the Iraqi gosernment through seeking its further isolation and maintaining the sanctions rather than easing them.

But Mr. Sahhaf believes crucks in the embargo will start appearing before their official termination. Others say that once Iraq is allowed to sell its oil, it will have the money to achieve a major dent in the embargo with many companies and countries vying for lucrative trade with and contracts in Iraq. One former official famil-

iar with the works of the U.N. said the Security Council will find ways to prevent such an eventuality. Despite clear signs that France. China and Russia

would favour a partial lifting of the sanctions; Ms. Albright said Friday the U.S. has enough support at the Security Council to maintain

If the U.S. comes under pressure to comply with Resolution 687 and lift the embargo on Iraqi oil sales after Mr. Ekeus reports that his mission has been completed successfully. Washington will seek to impose strict conditions on how the sales should be conducted with the purpose of keeping the heat

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higher yield instruments,"

Khaled Al Masri, senior in-

vestment supervisor at the

Arab Jordan Investment

Mr. Masri said the liberal-

ised rules should make banks

more competitive and allow

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Bankers say the new rules

also reinstate existing foreign

exchange rules that allow free

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Bank, told Reuters.

on the Iraqi regime.
The Security Council offered to allow fraq to sell \$2 billion worth of oil to purchase fixed and medicine. But the conditions of the resolution's sale would not have allowed Iraq the chance to use the revenues in any way that could lead to breaking the embargo. Iraq rejected the offer, just as it earlier turned down to sell \$1.6 billion worth of oil, on the grounds that the conditions of the side represented an encroachment on its sovereignty because the U.N. will supervise the revenue of

the sale. Gen. Hassan is said to have pushed for accepting the otters and the Iraqi regime's unsistence on rejecting them was a significant factor in his decision to defect.

The former official said that under pressure from the U.S., the Security Council could insist that Iriq put the oil revenue in an escrow account so that all expenditure is accounted for. The council could also demand that fraq channel huge amounts of the oil revenue to compensate Kuwait for the war damages and even go as far as denying Iraq the right to a free hand on using the revenue on the grounds that the regime cannot be trusted and still poses a regional

This procedure will have the double objective of ensuing that Iraq does not obtain goods prohibited under the sanctions and guarding against any break ing of the embargo. It will also aim, said observers, at bringing the desired goals of the powers that count at the U.N. mainly the U.S. which is the toppling of President Saddam.

#### Iraqi decision to air King's speech remains a puzzle

(Continued from page 1) that he has nothing to fear, despite stepped up pressure from various parties against his regime.

"It is a smart move that shows some confidence." said one senior official. adding that it also "gives the impression that the Iraqi leadership has no reason to feel threatened, especially that it was clear in the King's speech that Jordan will not take any action to change the status quo of relations with Baghdad on the economic and human levels."

Regarding the talk that Jordan might close its borders with Iraq or block food and medicine supplies to its people, this is something that has never crossed our minds..." the King had said

in his speech. The Iraqi regime has received a blow after the defection to Jordan of Lieutenant General Hussein Kamel Hassan, his brother, Colonel Saddam Kamel, and their wives. Raghad and Rana, both daughters of President Saddam. Gen. Hassan not only disparaged the Iraqi regime, but also called for its overthrow altogether.

But analysts say that by highlighting his faith in his people's "clever reading" of the King's speech, in which the Monarch paid tribute to Gen. Hassan as a man "who refuses to enjoy what the majority of the Iraqi people are deprived of, seeking to save his country and protect its unity and right to life," President Saddam might have wanted to expose Gen. Hassan's "betrayal" to the Iraqi people. Gen. Hassan is believed to have little credibility among the majority of Iraqis who see him as a cornerstone of the regime they are grow-

ing so intolerant of. 'It is a tactic Saddam used to make this man (Gen. Hassan) look as a traitor who sold out on his country," said another Iraqi living in Jor-

In explaining its reason for showing the speech the Iraqi TV accompanied it by a short

view of our faith in our people and the knowledge that (Iraqis) are capable of interpretation and clever reading, and because of what (the people) know about the leadership's clear policy in all spheres, we present to the Iragis a recording of the full

Deputy Toujan Faisal said that, apart from showing confidence (by airing the speech), the Iraqi regime wanted to give the impression that "hailing someone like Gen. Hussein Kamel was inappropriate and would be received as such by Iraqis.'

text of King Hussein's

Others were of the opinion that rebroadcasting the speech would serve Iraq's interest in that it would give the impression that the Iraqi leadership was moving towards democracy, thus hoping to make a positive impact on the issue of lifting the U.N. sanctions, imposed against Baghdad since it invaded Kuwait in 1990, especially with the King saying that the sanctions will not be lifted unless the Iraqi leadership complied fully with all U.N. resolutions.

For the sanctions to be lifted, the U.N. Security Council demands that Iraq comply with all ceasefire terms that along with eliminating the country's mass destruction weapons, also include humanitarian issues like ensuring human rights,

democracy....
"Maybe Saddam thinks that the move would help him look democratic at a time when he is being criticised for his lack of democracy and for dictatorship," a government

official said. Other analysts have interpreted the move in a much more sceptical manner saying that President Saddam might

Sudan frees political detainees

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Mahdi arrived at his home in Omdurman, the twin city of Sudan's capital Khartoum,

before noon. Thousands of his supporbe laying the groundwork for any contemplated action against Jordan in retaliation for its position.

"The (Iraqi) leadership would have given legitimacy for any possible action against Jordan by carrying the speech that might be viewed as one directed against Saddam," said a parliamentarian.

On the other hand, some Iraqis said the move simply boiled down to what they described as "a desperate move by a falling-out regime that has run out of options."

"Keeping in mind that Saddam does not have much to play on, I believe that this is just another little media game aimed at discrediting Gen. Hassan who has shaken an already disintegrating system," said one Iraqi.

Some politicians, however believe that since the King has made no direct reference to President Saddam himself, the speech would be perceived as a reiteration of Jordan's support for Iraq, and that carrying it denotes a sign of goodwill on part of the Iraqi leadership and its appreciation of the Jordanian concern for the well-being of the country.

'It reflects close relations with Iraq and proves that they do not want to escalate tension but rather keep a low profile," said one governmental source, adding that it also shows that "Iraqis accept our position."

But as the official put it: "The leadership in Iraq is so unpredictable and it is hard to know what they're thinking. In any case the Iraqi regime might have thought that there was no way to prevent Iraqis from hearing the speech and decided to take the credit for showing it themselves."

ters shouted Allahu Akbar and some wept in joy as Dr. Mahdi, 59, got off his car. Dr. Mahdi did not make

any statements after the longest period he spent in prison since Gen. Bashir took



described by Israeli security forces as a member of Hamas, was shot dead by Israeli soldiers on Friday in the occupied West Bank town of Hebron (AFP photo)

#### Clash over rape claim delays UAE killing trial

Al 'AIN (AFP) — An Islamic court on Saturday postponed the case of a teenager Filipina maid facing the death penalty for murder as doctors clashed over whether she had been raped by her victim.

Presiding Judge Mohammad Tatwani adjourned the case in a retrial against Sarah Balabagan, 16, until Wednesday and called new witnesses.

Problems arose when a doctor backtracked on earlier statements that the girl was raped by her United Arab Emirates (UAE) employer, Mohammad Abdullah Al

"The defloration happened at least one week before I Abu Dhabi.

examined her" on the day following the rape, Madeleine Aryan, a general practitioner from Egypt, told the court, in Al Ain 160, kilometres (60 miles), east of PLO jails suspects in Jericho

#### build a house demolished by (Continued from page 1) Israel on Friday after its sol-

"I am sure the defloration

did not coincide with the incident," she added refer-

ring to the murder which took place on July 19, 1994.

But another doctor re-ported that on the day after

the killing, she saw "wounds in the hymen" of the girl.

"She was wounded in the

right side of the neck, and

also in the vagina," added

Vatsalan Sivadas, a gynaeco-logist from India. "They indi-

cate an attempted sexual

assault in the 48 hours prior

Ms. Balabagan, a Muslim,

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ceed," she said, adding that

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The prosecution had used

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who was then 15.

diers killed two Hamas militon hombmaker Vahva Ayyash - known as "The Engineer" is still at large. The Islamic Resistance

fierce opponent of the 1993 Israel-PLO peace deal. Israel and the PLO are believed to be several weeks away from an agreement on implementing the second stage of self-rule --- an Israeli

Movement, Hamas, is a

troop redeployment in the occupied West Bank and the holding of Palestinian elec-"I think if we are realistic, one should talk about initialling the agreement between

Sept. 3 and 6," Dr. Erekat said in Gaza. Self-rule was due to have expanded beyond Gaza and Jericho more than a year ago but attacks by militants which

killed over 80 Israelis slowed the pace of negotiations. Tayeb Abdul Rahim, general-secretary of the authority, told Reuters that PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat instructed Palestinian negotiatiors to remain firm in

their demand for a significant Israeli troop redeployment in the West Bank city of Heb-

Some 400 Jewish settlers live in the heart of Hebron and Israel wants its troops to remain to protect them. In an act of defiance, Hebron residents collected

money and prepared to re-

## economic development in the

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through scientific research and integration and coordination between policies governing science and technology activities on the one hand and application of scientific research on the ground.

He said technology is closely connected with educational systems and scientific research and also with the state's political and economic management stressing that no prosperity or stability can be achieved without interaction between the three elements. The scientists and experts

in various walks of life have a duty to maximise investment in education, scientific research and development and in giving incentives for creative work involving participation of various official and non-governmental organisations, professional associations and others, the Crown Prince said. He added that such approach would contribute most positively to socio-

Meanwhile the fourth victim of Monday's suicide

bombing was an Israeli woman and not a European tourist as initially believed, Israeli Radio reports said. The victim, 45-year-old Hanna Naeh from Jerusalem, was identified after police published a morgue photo-

Five people were killed in Monday's bus bombing in Jerusalem. Three of the dead were quickly identified as two Israelis and an American, leaving the badly mutilated bodies of a man and a

initially there was speculation that the woman might have been the bomber, but that possibility was ruled out when the Shin Bet security service caught the attack's mastermind who, in turn, identified the assailant as

Police then said the unidentified victim might have been European after receiving reports that a German tourist was missing. Howev-er, the tourist was found later in the week.

Nach, who was divorced, had lived alone in Jerusalem's Kiryat Moshe neighbourhood. She was identified when her family came forward after seeing the morgue photographs, the radio reports said.

#### Prince urges focus on science

Prince Hassan submitted a five-point plan which he said would help scientists attain their aspired goals: One: Due care should be given to natural resources and their wise utilisation in the most ideal manner so as

to avoid wastage, search for artificial substitutes and increase of production. Two: Development of human resources which can absorb modern technology and employ it in achieving socio-economic develop-

> for spending on scientific research and creating the right atmosphere for a solid base for development. Four: Applying the results of research on various aspects of development. Five: Due attention should be given to publication of

> > research results.

Three: Finding incentives

A total of 36 national in-

stitutions are participating in

#### of the Armed Jihad (FIDA) which specialises in murder-

ing intellectuals. Liberte

Minister Redha Malek announced on Saturday he would run in November's presidential election and said his priority was to restore order to strife-torn Algeria and oppose religious "terror-

ence in an Algiers hotel that he was not "the candidate of any party or clan."

He said his first aim was to restore peace after three

ment and Islamic militants. "First, the public order must be restored and the security of citizens guaranteed... today, the Algerian ity, reject the terrorism and

mic) religion." he said. Mr. Malek, prime minister from August 1993 to April 1994, is the seventh and most seriously regarded candidate to come forward to contest the Nov. 16 poll which is opposed by the main political parties, including the former

ruling National Liberation Front (FLN). He was sacked as prime minister for opposing dia-logue with the banned Isla-

group called the Islamic Front

Malek runs for president

Former Algerian Prime

Mr. Malek, 64, is the leader of a new party, the National Republican Alliance, which is secular and opposed to Islamic fundamentalism. But he told a press confer-

years of civil strife between the military-backed govern-

the manipulation of (the Isla-

#### Algerian militants kill women long as it failed to abide by

(Continued from page 12) President Liamine

Zeroual, who has not yet announced his own candidacy, says the election will be the first step in a process to restore legitimacy since the army-backed government scrapped a 1992 parliamentary election which the FIS was poised to win.

The FLN says, however, the poll will have no significance in the absence of an agreement with FIS, which is panned and has threatened to fight the election with violence.

Speculation over whether Mr. Zeroual will stand in the election was fuelled on Saturday by former Prime Minister Abdul Salam Belaid who told the Constantine-based newspaper Al Acil: "I prefer Zeroual as president of the

In July Mr. Zeroual said a three-month dialogue with the FIS had failed, blaming the fundamentalist leaders 'intransigence." Algerian newspapers have

said Mr. Malek's candidacy wil give the poll more "credibility" as the six other candidates to come forward so far Mr. Malek was a member

of the High Council of State.

a five-person collective body

which rreplaced President

Chadli Benjedid in 1992. Mr. Malek, a former ambassador to Washington, London and Paris as well as foreign minister, is wellknown in the international community for mediating between the United States and Iran in the U.S. embassy hostage crisis when he was ambassador to Tehran from

### U.S. forces beefed up

telligence services got it wrong causing, confusion in

"The balloon burst, because the matter was based from the start on false information made up by American intelligence services and broadcast by the Pentagon," the daily Babel said.

Washington announced on Aug. 17 that it had ordered pre-positioned equipment in the region to move closer to Iraq after signalling five weeks of "unusual activity" by the Iraqi military at their

But five days later U.S. Defence Secretary William Perry admitted the United States had detected "no sign" that Iraq ws preparing to

Perry had to backtrack and deny his own lie. But it won't be Washington's last lie which remains deterrained to provoke crises with Ifaq to maintain the embargo," said the paper run by Uday, the son of Iraqi leader Saddam

"The series of lies shows

however, assembled 1,400 troops in Kuwait to take part in joint manoeuvres designed to deter Iraq from any new invasion of the emirate.

Hussein Kamel Hassan. There was no official reaction meanwhile to reports that Egyptian President Hos-

But the daily Al Jumhouriya called on Iragis

in the government paper.

He said Iraq would win a lifting of the U.N. oil and trade sanctions imposed in August 1990 when it invaded Kuwait since it had now re-

weapons programmes. "We are close to the goal and we have no choice but to resist the armada of hostile media and be convinced that the instability and crises in Iraq talked about by the

#### SCOM) (see page 2). mic Salvation Front (FIS) as 1979 to 1981.

offer itself as a base for antiregime activities by Iraqi dissidents and that the granting of asylum to Gen. Hassan, his brother Saddam Kamel, and their wives, both daughters of President Saddam, and a cousin and several Iraqi soldiers did not signal any shift in Jordan's policy of non-interference in the internal affairs of other

countries. Foreign Minister Kabarit. that this was the central mes-Jordan would allow Gen. Hassan to launch anti-Saddam activities from Jordanian ter-

the Kingdom's policy.

"Jordan has and will always seek to strengthen relations with Arab countries," said Mr. Kabariti. He referred to the success that Jordan. has had since this year in its efforts to improve relations with the Gulf countries, particularly Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

defection of Gen. Hassan, and the Iraqi government was contemplating plans to invade Kuwait and Saudi

Council who advocated such Gen. Hassan dismissed the recording as a fake.

in comments over the weekend, Mr. Mubarak said he doubted Gen. Hassan's

president also suggested that the address was politically motivated. It was not immediately

Mr. Mubarak said in public comments on Thursday that any change in the Iraqi system was an issue that concerned the people of Iraq and no external forces should

Musa echoed his president's words. "I will not discuss anything about bringing

since it is an issue that has to be decided by the people of fraq themselves and not something for me or you to talk about," he said.

was concerned over "the suffering of the Iraqi people" and that the Baghdad government should do "We hope that the devel-

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he added. Despite the public niceties, observers said in private, Egypt appeared to be unhappy by the high-pro-file political focus on Jordan

However, there is no conleft to the Iraqi people and that external forces should not interfere in internal Iraq-

According to a Jordanian official quoted by Reiter. "though Egypt might not like to see Jordan trying to take an initiative on Iraq because (Egypt) has always liked to be the leader in the region, it cannot but support our ideas because they will be be contracting their fiveyear-old anti-Saddam

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the confusion which reigns in heart of the U.S. administration, due in a large part to electoral campaigns" for a presidential poll in 1996.

The United States has

The exercises were hastily brought forward after the defections on Aug. 8 of the former Industry Minister

ni Mubarak had offered political asylum to President Sad-

to ignore foreign media re-ports that the defections had weakened the government. "The Iragis are experienced in psychological warfare. They mustn't fall into the trap," a columnist wrote

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Americans and Zionists are pure lies." U.N. disarmament chief Rolf Ekeus said Saturday that Baghdad had handed over a large amount of new and valuable information to the U.N. Special Commission on disarming Iraq (UN-

#### Musa delivers message, discusses Iraqi events

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saying the issue of Iraq occupied "the bulk" his discussions with Mr. Musa implied sage given to the Egyptian minister when he answered a reporter's question whether

"This is an issue that concerns the Iraqi people," said Mr. Kabariti, "We in Jordan have repeated several times that Jordan will never be a base against any Arab country," added the minister, noting that Sharif Zeid, in a recent meeting with Parliament, had reaffirmed

The comments by the Jordanian officials and Mr. Musa himself indicated that both sides were playing down an obvious difference in viewpoints over the the defector's statements that

Arabia. Iraq denied the charges and put on a television programme with a recording that it said was the voice of Gen. Hassan urging Saddam Hussein to invade Kuwait and Saudi Arabia in October 1994. The television also asserted that Hussein Kamel was the lone member of the Revolutionary Command

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statements that Iraq was planning an invasion of Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. While he welcomed as courageous King Hussein's speech on Wednesday in which the Monarch criticised Iraqi policies, the Egyptian

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# **Arab Gulf states set to boost** 1995 oil income, cut deficit

ABU DHABI (AFP) — Oil export earnings by six Arab Gulf states will likely grow in 1995 and help them ease their budget deficits and reverse a downturn in their economies, experts said Friday.

Although oil prices have slipped over the past few weeks, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states expect their income to be higher than in 1994 due to a strong improvement in the first half of 1995, the experts said.

Gulf states expect the average oil price to be higher this year than in 1994 due to relative compliance by OPEC with its production ceiling. This has made them project. an increase in their 1995 revenues by between 10 and 15 per cent," said an economic expert close to the GCC.

The average price of OPEC's basket of seven crudes surged to around \$17.5 in the first half of 1995 compared with around \$14.5 in the first half of 1994 and \$15.5 in the whole of 1994. With prices at around \$15.8 currently, the average price will likely range bethe experts said.

They noted prices were unlikely to decline further in the last quarter as seasonal demand picks up, and the 12nation Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is staying mostly within the official output ceil-

The experts also cited U.S. statements downplaying spe-culation about an imminent removal of the oil embargo against Iraq. Such specula-tion had in the past put pressure on oil prices although several OPEC members had tried to assure the market they could absorb the return of the Iraqis.
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ment chief Rolf Ekeus raised hopes last week of a U.N. resolution easing the crippling Gulf war sanctions on Iraq after Baghdad provided him with fresh information about its biological warfare

Mr. Ekeus, who was to report to the U.N. Security Council Friday on his latest mission in Baghdad, said the

new information had quickened the process towards ending the five-year-old embar-

But the United States quickly dashed hopes of such a move, with State Department spokesman David Johnson saying Iraq's response was not enough

"Iraq must demonstrate its peaceful intentions by complying with all its obliga-tions," he told reporters in Washington on Wednesday.

He referred to Kuwaiti prisoners of war in Iraq, return of Kuwaiti property seized dur-ing the 1990 Iraqi invasion and Baghdad's involvement in terrorism.

Oil executives in the Gulf said crude prices remained relatively firm because of the latest political upheaval in Iraq, which was the second biggest oil producer in OPEC before the invasion of neighbouring Kuwait.

With an average price of between \$16 and \$17 a barrel

oil revenues are expected to range between \$76 billion and \$80 billion in 1995, they

This compares with around \$70 billion in 1994 and nearly \$74 billion in 1993, when

crude prices averaged \$16.33. The 1995 price is also higher by \$1 to \$2 than the level projected in most GCC budgets, which are financed mainly from oil exports.

"There is no doubt this will largely support the GCC coffers and reduce their budget deficits unless there was an unexpected increase in spending. The revenue growth will also boost their economies, most of which recorded a negative growth in 1994 due to low oil prices," a Gulf economist said.

The combined GCC budget deficit was projected at around \$9.6 billion in 1995 compared with \$17.3 billion in 1994. The 1994 shortfall was lower because most members trimmed expenditure and forecast higher re-



A Bangladeshi river gypsy, woman sets out on a country boat with her merchandise for sale at Dhaka's low-lying ndise for sale at Dhaka's low-lying Kaliganj suburb. These gypsies, who live on wooden boats earning a wage from selling herbal medicines and jewellery, are on the verge of dying out as many of the young choose an

urban lifestyle over life on the river. The upca Conference on Women in Beijing in September will address issues such as problems women face in health, education and access to economic resources and positions of political power

# French jobs, austerity poser after resignation of Madelin

PARIS (R) — French unions and opposition parties Saturday welcomed the shock resignation of Finance Minister Alain Madelin and predicted the government faced future crises in reconciling its twin plans of job creation and

Mr. Madelin was forced out 100 days after the formation of the centre-right government Friday for suggesting less generous public sector pensions and welfare handouts, contradicting the spirit of reforms outlined by President Jacques Chirac.

Newspapers were unanimous in calling it the first crisis for the new government and said Mr. Madelin had been forced out. "Juppe sacks Madelin," the Parisien

Socialist Party leader Henri Emmanuelli said Mr. Madelin's departure was "the first serious political evidence of the demagogic contradictions that made up the web of Mr. Chirac's policies... in the presidential campaign. There

Mr. Chirac has said

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France's top priority will be a war on near-record unemployment and extra aid for social justice." the homeless and the poor. At the same time, France is

huge deficit.
"Madelin's aggressive behaviour left the government no choice," said Louis Viannet, general secretary of the communist CGT. But he added: "We need more than just this minister's resignation to change things.'

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Mr. Madelin's successor Jean Arthius, 50, until now minister for economic development and planning and seen as less outspoken and less for a free marketeer, pledged to stick to Mr. Chirac's policies.

The first priority is "win-ning the battle for jobs while preserving social cohesion... the second priority is to control public spending... and to cut deficits," he said Satur-

Mr. Juppe, announcing Mr. Madelin's departure without a word of regret, said Mr. Madelin's statements "contradicted the govern-

THE Daily Crossword by George Urquhart

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Communist Party boss Robert Hue said Mr. Madelin's departure highlighted contradictions in policy be-tween jobs and Mr. Madelin's crusade to enable France to meet strict economic criteria in the European Union's Maastricht treaty.

"You can't claim to attack a social fracture while serving Maastricht and 'money as king'," he said. Mr. Chirac will meet Mr.

Madelin Tuesday, the Elysee Palace said.

The daily Liberation said it would complicate prepara-tions for the 1996 budget and was especially bad for France where the departing minister was a sort of guarantee of financial orthodoxy in the eyes of the financial com-

Earlier this month, Mr. Juppe ordered ministers to cut France's public sector deficit to four per cent of gross domestic product (GDP) next year from a forecast five per cent rate this year.

## **ASEAN** decides to remove tariffs on 1,304 farm products

SINGAPORE (AFP) — The booming South East Asian economies decided Friday to liberalise tariffs for unproces-sed agricultural products for the first time as part of an effort to establish a free-trade area by 2003.

Agriculture ministers of the seven-member Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) announced at a joint news conference here that tariff reduction on 1.304 farm products would be implemented from Jan. 1,

The list of the product was not made available. "This is the first time tariffs

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for unprocessed agriculture products are to be reduced" ASEAN Secretary General Ajit Singh said after two days of talks among the grouping's agriculture ministers.

ASEAN comprises Brunei. Indonesia. Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam, which joined the grouping this month and is scheduled to come on board the free-trade bandwagon in 2006.

The six other ASEAN countries have vowed to reduce tariffs to a maximum five per cent by January 2003 through a mechanism called the Common Effective Pre-

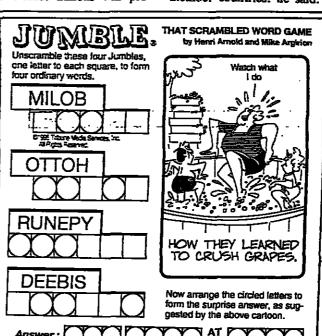
By Glasbergen

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and processed agricultural products began in 1993 under the CEPT scheme, the engine of the ASEAN Free Trade

Mr. Singh said that the ministers also decided that individual nations will prepare a list of "sensitive" unprocessed agriculture pro-ducts for which tariffs could also be reduced.

The list would be submitted to the ASEAN economic ministers meeting in Brunei next month, which would decide on a broad mechanism to liberalise regional trade in farm and manufactured products considered sensitive by member countries, he said.



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#### HOROSCOPE FORECAST FOR SUNDAY,

AUGUST 27, 1995 By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

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TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Show appreciation to those who have power over your affairs and gain their further goodwill. Use modern methods to improve your work today and thus increase your success.

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MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) Take no risks ith vour health today Handle your responsibilities more efficiently and it becomes easier for you to get them done.

LEO: (July 22 to August 21)
Support those associates who
need your help now. Listen
to the complaints of family
members today and give help
where needed to solving problems. Don't put this on a back burner.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) You have to be more enthused if you are to get the tasks done that are important to you today. Strive for increased happiness in your personal life.

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) Take time to put your business and financial affairs in better order. Be sure to keep promises that you have made to others and you will be well respected.

SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) Be more considerate of the needs of family members today and in establishing more harmony at home. Avoid one who gossips too much about everything... especially about you!

SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to December 21) Discuss your views with associates and improve regular routines today. Plan how to gain your most cherished aims and make the effort to make them

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to January 20) Look over your financial condition and then confer with experts to improve it. Take no risks in motion today or there could

AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) Use tact with others and they will soon give you the favours you desire. The evening is fine for social pleasures with the one you

PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) You are able to communicate well with associates and can advance in career matters today. Sidestep a troublemaker and you will be successful.

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Jordan, Israel to sign agricultural agreement in few days

**☆☆ JORDAN AND Israel** will be signing an agricultural agreement in the coming few days after many months of intensive discussions. The draft agreement, which contains eight main articles, include giving Jordan the priority to supply Israel with agricultural products whenever the Jewish state decides to import fresh produce. In such a case, Jordanian exports will be totally exempted from customs. Also to be exempted from customs on an annual basis will be 50,000 tonnes of fruits and vegetables, 900 tonnes of olive oil, 30,000 live or slaughtered sheep, 1,000 tonnes of white cheese and 2,000 tonnes of jameed. Under the agreement, to be signed by the agriculture ministers of both countries, Jordan reserves the right to specify the farm products to be imported from Israel. The accord states that Israel would facilitate the delivery of Jordanian agricultural products to the Palestinian areas during the transition period. Joint agricultural projects could be set up, the agreement says (Al Ra'i).

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** AN EXTRAORDIN-ARY general assembly meeting of the Housing Bank approved raising its capital from JD 18 million to JD 25 million by floating seven million A shares for private subscription. The general assembly also approved capitalising JD 6 million from the capital reserves by awarding each shareholder registered on Aug. 5, 1995 half a share free for every one share of equity (Al Ra'i + Al Aswaq).

**☆☆ THE ARAB Company** for Manufacturing White Cement posted record production and sales in 1994 with figures exceeding 96,000 tonnes and 98,000 tonnes respectively. High demand for white cement in the Jordanian and Syrian markets has pressed the company to cut back its exports last year more than it did in 1993. The company made JD 1.25 million in net profits last year due to increased sales, lower costs of production, higher price for cement and the drop in interest paid on loans. The white coment firm had a total of JD 19.6 million in net fixed assets at the end of 1994 (Al Dustour).

☆☆ THE JORDAN International Trading Centre recorded a JD 231,000 net profit during its 1994/1995 financial year compared to only JD 4,000 in the 1993/1994 financial year. The company boosted its sales to JD 2.1 million at the end of March 1995 from JD 1.2 million at the end of March 1994. Ordinary paper accounted for 70 per cent of total sales in the 1994/1995 year compared to 25 per cent in the previous year. Costs were down to JD 1.74 million from JD 1.08 million. The net profit posted this year enabled the company to cover about 50 per cent of accumulated losses (Al Ra'i).

**☆☆ ROYAL JORDANIAN** carried 710,082 passengers during the first seven months RIUS: (January) ry 19) Use tat and they will soul and they will soul of this year, 2.8 per cent more than the number during the same period of last year. Cargo carried during the 1995 ening is fine for services with the out period amounted to 37,485 tonnes, 25 per cent over the seven months period of last year. Sources at the planning department said the occupancy rate of seats was 63.6 per cent (64.4 in 1994) and the loading capacity rate was 58.3 per cent (55.6 in 1994) (Al

## Diller to take control of television company

NEW YORK (R) — Barry Diller, who built the Fox Television network in the 1980s and has long sought a major media company, unveiled a deal Friday for a string of TV stations that could form the backbone for a new network.

Mr. Diller said he is buying a 20 per cent stake in Silver King Communications Inc., the nation's sixth largest TV station operator with a dozen UHF stations. He also received an option for another 70 per cent stake.

Silver King, based in St. Petersburg, Florida, current-ly broadcasts the Home Shopping network but analysis said that Mr. Diller will likely begin to build a

new network from that base. Mr. Dillar has long wanted to control a media company, rather than work for another corporate giant, but his previous bids for Paramount Communications and CBS Inc. ended in failure.

His deal for Silver King is the latest in an explosive summer in the television industry. Walt Disney Co. agreed to buy Capital Cities/ ABC Inc. for \$19 billion and Westinghouse Electric Corp is buying CBS for \$5.4 bil-

Under the Silver King deal, Mr. Diller will buy 20 per cent of the company for \$22.625 a share, and receive an option for control of another 70 per cent of the company's common stock. It was unclear how much cash Mr. Diller was actually putting into the deal, and a spokesman could offer no de-

The option for the 70 per cent stake is controlled by Liberty Media Corp., part of John Malone's Tele-Communications Inc. cable TV empire that ranks as the largest in the nation and which also controls the Home

Shopping network Liberty Media had been unable to exercise the option because federal laws prohibit a cable TV company from owning broadcast properties.

The television stations owned by Silver King, which also has 27 low-powered broadcast stations, were spun off from the Home Shopping network in 1992. "Malone has had a bad

time with Home Shopping, it's performing poorly, so he is bringing in Diller to shore it up," said one analyst who declined to be named. Silver King's UHF stations

reach 28 million homes. They serve eight of the 12 largest television markets in the United States, including New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Dallas, Houston and Cleveland.

Analysts said Mr. Diller will likely start a network on a small scale, offering one day of programming in addition to the Home Shopping schedule and then expanding. With the major television

networks now allowed to produce their own programming in competition with the big Hollywood studios, competition will mount and lower the costs for a company seeking programmes like Silver King. Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. Ltd. started Fox Tele-

vision in the mid-1980s in a similar way, buying its core stations from Metromedia in a multibillion-dollar deal and then expanding. Mr. Dillet started the Fox network for Mr. Murdoch, but then left and ended up

with QVC Network Inc., a Home Shopping service. He then exited QVC and had been rumoured to be looking for a new company ever since his failed bids for Paramount

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# Confusion, conflicting opinions depress prices, trading at AFM

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Prices dipped at the Amman Financial Market (AFM) Saturday on low volume in the face of uncertainties over Jordanian-Iraqi trade and economic ties, but blue chips largely maintained their strength, brokers said. They said the shift in prices was between three and four

per cent, mostly affecting industrial companies not listed in the official AFM index. As such, they said, the decline in prices in the official index was not really indicative of the trend in the market. The official index, which is

based on 60 major companies from among the nearly 120 listed in the market, closed at 156.69, down 0.28 per cent from the day's opening. The separate sectoral in-

dices showed that commercial banks and financial institutions slipped by 0.14 per cent to close at 182.05 points, services companies by 0.25

points, and industrials by 0.56 per cent to close at 126.99 points. No trading was reported in the insurance sector on Saturday. "It was a very bad day,"

said an AFM broker, speak-ing on condition of anonymity in line with standing mar-ket guidelines. "Trading volume was low at around JD 600,000 and people were not really willing to sell except those who really needed li-

The daily AFM report showed that trading for the day was JD 597,164, with commercial banks accounting for JD 230,144, the services sector for JD 140,149 and industrials for 226,871. Volume of shares traded in the parallel market was JD

According to the broker, "there is a lot of confusion and conflicting opinion among investors, some of them positive and others negative," over economic

# Buffett to buy rest of Geico for \$2.3b

OMAHA, Nebrasca (R) --Billionaire Warren Buffett said Friday he would pay \$2.3 billion to buy the rest of Geico Corp., the insurance company he sank most of his savings into as a young inves-

tor nearly 45 years ago.

The purchase by Mr. Buffett, now one of America's most widely watched and shrewdest investors, will further extend the diverse empire that has already made him the world's second richest businessman.

Mr. Buffett, whose net worth of \$10.7 billion ranks him behind Microsoft Corp. Chairman William Gates, said the purchase reflects his longstanding confidence in Geico, which sells auto, home, life and health insur-"In 1951, when I was 20, I

invested well over half of my net worth in Geico," Mr.

Buffett sald, "I felt very comfortable with that commitment and I feel equally comfortable with the major commitment that Berkshire Hathaway has made today."

Mr. Buffett said he did not expect any staff cuts at

away Inc., his Omaha, Nebrasca-based holding com-

As is customary with the 64-year-old investor, the acquired company will retain its management.

The terms of the deal call for Berkshire Hathaway to offer \$70 a share for the 49 per cent of Geico it does not already own. Berkshire also owns big stakes in Coca-Cola Co., Capital Cities/ABC Inc., which is being acquired by Walt Disney Co.

Mr. Buffett, in an interview on CNBC-TV, said he decided to buy out the rest of the company now because the time seemed right and he liked the insurer's low-cost business strategy. "It's a low-cost operator

and it's been a low-cost operator since 1936," Mr. Buffett said, noting that Washington, D.C.-based Geico does not use sales agents. He said he would have

been willing to buy the rest of the company at other times, but said its current management favoured such a deal, Geico, which will become a providing the price was right.

lowing the "recent political developments.

Aug. 8 defection of two topranking Iraqi officials to Jordan and Wednesday's speech to the nation by His Majesty King Hussein in which the Monarch criticised the Iraqi leadership.

"Investors at the AFM are as politicised as any other segment of the Jordanian society," said the broker.

"Some say the King's speech, in which he pledged to keep borders open with

Iraq, was something that had to be said, while others are AMMAN FINANCIAL MARKET

nomic and trade ties with That was a reference to the

Jordan," said the broker. "Either way, many inves-tors are opting to hold on to their stocks while looking for signs of Iraqi intentions as well as signals from Saudi Arabia and Kuwait of their plans to consolidate relations with Jordan," added the

apprehensive that Iraq might

retaliate by scaling down eco-

broker. The broker as well as several other AFM dealers and banking executives said they expected the "wait-andsee" approach to continue in the market for the rest of the week.

"Of course, if there are internal political developments within Iraq — which may have little to do with Jordan - then the market will react more strongly." said a portfolio executive at a commercial bank.

Saturday's developments in the market appeared to confirm the view of a senior government source, who said Friday that the Jordanian market would "absorb" the political developments. There will be a negative impact, but it will not be of such a major scale as many would like to project," the source said.

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### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	JUNE TANCITAN MACERNI	1950	8777	4.530 4.500
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	THE HOMETON BANK	12400	14952	1.230 1.500
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	ICEDAN KUWATT BANK	170	11360	2.790 7.780
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	JORDAN ISLAMIC HANK	1021	3610	3.780 3.762
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	CHICK BANK FOR SAVING 6 INVESTMENT	196	809	4.150 4.160
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	Jordan investment : finance bank	1923	5954	4.150 4.100
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	BEIT ILMAL SAVINGLINVESTMENT FOR HOUSING	3200	11088	3.500 3.480
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	APPAN SARK FOR INVESTMENT	13006	40555	1.050 1.040
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	prominentes Confunction/Copyright PRICEDTIONS TYPEOPRES RENE	2020	7777	1 580 1 470
### A E K S S E C T C R   67682   230144   INDEX NUMBER; 18 CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE : - C   CHANGE   1.620   1.610   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.620   1.62	, water = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	4.47	:3:3	1.300 1.370
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THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000	JORGAN INTERNATIONAL TRADING CENTER	1006	1170	1.160 1.170
THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000	COMPAN PRESS FOUNDATION / ALBA"	143	1409	9.850 9.850
THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000	INTED MIDDLE EAST & COMMISSIONE HOTELS	25700	12068	3.216 3.2160
THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000	ZAREA PRIVATE UNIVERSITY	6050	8086	1.370 7.350
THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000		<u> </u>	T101511	******
THE ARAS POTASS   150   1738   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000   5.000	SERVICES SECTOR	73772	140149	INDEX NUMBER: 12 CHARGE : -0
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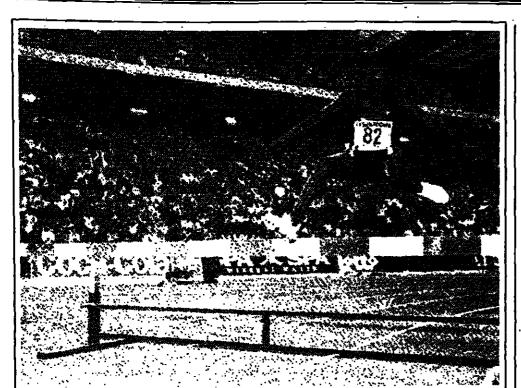
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Kenyan Moses Kiptanui jumps over a hurdle on his way to win the 3000 m steeplechase at

# Mutola sets world mark in women's 1,000

,000 metres Friday at the Van Damme dominating their events here. Memorial, sweetening a bitter summer which After Oslo, Zurich and Brussels, the gold saw her disqualified at the World Cham- will split between all those with a four-out-of-

Mutola became the first woman to run the in 2:29.34 minutes. U.S. runner Meredith world champion Jan Zelezny. Rainey led her to a quick split time at 600.

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those from Goteborg early this month, when seconds. she was favoured to win the 800. But in the first heat, she was disqualified for running sent, Johnson missed his main rival but gained outside her lane and broke down in tears.

Moses Kiptanui also provided an excellent performance and ran the second sub-8 minute steeplechase in history, finishing only .35 seconds outside his world record.

Kenyan world champion set in Zurich last pionships.

pionship gold medals, Gwen Torrence, with the race but soon had to settle for victory remained on course for up to 20 kilos in gold 14:50.70 minutes, well ahead of Derartu Tulu after maintaining a perfect record in their of Ethiopia.

event during the third of the Golden four Shikolenko of Belarus dominated the field,

Natalja Shikolenko of Belarus in the javelin of 68.42 metres.

Belgium (AFP) — A rainy final qualifying session for

the Belgian Grand Prix set up

a sensational race Sunday,

with two Ferraris on the front

row, Damon Hill eighth and

world champion Michael

Schumacher back in 16th

Gerhard Berger took pole ahead of Jean Alesi, with the

McLaren Mercedes of Mika

Hakkinen third and Schu-

macher's teammate Johnny

Herbert fourth. Hill's team-

mate David Coulthard was

fifth ahead of Mark Blundell

in the second McLaren Mer-

It was the worst qualifying

position of Schumacher's

career, and followed a heavy

accident in morning practice. His car was badly damaged

with the German uninjured

BRUSSELS (AP) — Maria Mutola of competition kept alive their chances for at Mozambique set a new world mark in the least a shot of the \$230,000 in gold by

four record in Berlin Sept. 1.

Germany's Raymond Hecht however lost distance under 21/2 minutes, finishing her race his perfect record in the javelin, beaten by

Torrence ran the second-fastest 200 of the leaving Mutola to cover the last lap on her year to beat her rival Merlene Ottey in 21.87. Christie, who was hampered by a hamstring Cheered by 38,000 fans, she slashed 1.34 injury during the World Championship final seconds off the 1990 mark of Germany's early this month, beat world champion Donovan Bailey for a second time in as many weeks The happy scenes contrasted sharply with Friday, and took the 100 metres in 10.09

> With fellow-American Butch Reynolds abtwo strong challengers in Derek Mills and Jamaican Greg Haughton, who chased him up to 20 metres from the line. Johnson finished in a time of 44.64 seconds.

Johnson has hardly been involved in any rivalry this year, such was his domination. At In cold and windy conditions. Kiptanui ran the World Championships he won gold in the most of the race on his own and finished in 200, 400 and 1,600 relay, making him the most 7:59.53 minutes, just short of the record the successful athlete of the World Cham-

The 5,000 metre world champion O'Sulli-Michael Johnson, with three world cham- van was chasing the world record early on in two, and Linford Christie, with none, all alone. The Irishwoman cruised home in

as she has done most of the year, easily Ireland's Sonia O'Sullivan the 5,000 and winning the javelin competition with a throw

ly," said Berger.

"It will be a great race," he

Friday's first qualifying in

the rain had seen slow times

on the long, fast and deman-

ding Spa Francorchamps

track, with Berger again fas-

test, with Schumacher second

from Alesi and Hill. The

track was dry as Saturday's

final hour started, but rain

began falling after three mi-

"When I saw the first drops

falling," Berger said, "I went on the safe side to be sure I had a lap time." That "safe" lap of I min. 54.392 at an average speed of 219.476 kph

was good enough for pole.

"I hope I get round the first corner okay with these

two guys," Berger said with a grin at Alesi and Hakkinen.

# World University Games

# Japan keeps narrow lead in medals race

Americans' speed in the swimming pool wasn't quite enough to overtake Japan in the World University Games medals race Saturday as Japan added another gold to its judo collection.

The United States won three of the day's six swim-ming races, but Japan won two to go with its judo gold, leaving the Japanese ahead 10 to 8 in golds and 26 to 24 in total medals after three days of competition.

Russia's Evgueni Chabaev won the men's all-around gymnastics gold, giving his nation a total of four golds in a collection of 10 medals. South Korea had three golds and nine medals overall.

Brazil broke up the U.S.-Japan duel in swimming when Fernando Scherer and Gustavo Borges placed 1-2 in the men's 100-metre freestyle, giving their nation its first gold here.

Italy also won its first gold when Maria Valentina Vez-zali took the women's foil

fencing. China, South Korea and Cuba each picked up one gold in judo.

In direct U.S.-Japan swimming battles Saturday, Amer-ica's Kurt Jachimowski edged Japan's Hajime Itoi by .28 seconds in the men's 100metre backstroke, and Japan's Yoko Koikawaw, a native of the host city, beat

of Michigan by .26 in the women's 200-metre back-

stroke. Emily Peters, trailing Japan's Sachiko Miyaji at the midway point, came from behind to lead a 1-2 U.S. finish in the women's 400-metre freestyle. Sarah Anderson was second and Miyaji faded

to third. The women's 4×100-metre freestyle relay quartet — Jessica Tong, Lisa Coole, Mary Edwards and Talor Bendel captured the third American gold of the day, winning by more than five seconds in 3:46.68. Italy was second in 3:52.06 and Japan third in

"Our country has such depth and it shows up on the relay," said Tong. "It's very competitive in the U.S. so it's a great honour to get on the team. I know 20 other girls who could have swum the relay.

In the men's 100-metre breaststroke, Japan's Akira Hayashi beat two Russians. winning in 1:02.71. Alexander Tkatchev, gold medallist here in the men's 200 breastroke, was second in 1:03.38 with teammates Stanislav Lopoukhov third in 1:03.66.

Scherer won the 100 freestyle in 49.69 seconds, Borges took the sivler in 50.20 and American Josh Davis of Texas was third in

The Americans now have

American Elizabeth Jackson worl eight of the 18 swimming races held so far, and Japan has four victories.

Japan leads in its native sport of judo with five golds from 12 events. South Korea has three and Cuba two.

Japan's Kenzo Nakamura inned down South Korea's Lee Eun-Hak in 2:46 for victory in the men's 71kilogramme class, but Ko-rean Jung Se-Hoon won a decision over Japan's Ryuta Yumiya at 65 kilogrammes.

Japan lost another final when Morales Gonzales of Cuba won_a decision over Chiyori Tateno in the women's 52-kilogramme

In fencing, Vezzali defe-ated Italian compatriot Annamaria Giacometti 15-9 and then Hungary's Reka Szabo, who lost her semifinal 15-13 to Mincza, shared the

In soccer, striker Daizo Okitsu scored two goals and created two others as Japan trounced Siovakia 5-2 and advanced to the quarterfinals along with the defending champion Czech Republic. Iran, Ukraine, Australia, South Korea, Russia and South Africa in the last eight. The United States won the

1993 medals race with 75 in all, including 30 gold, fol-lowed by Canada with 40 and Japan with 30. China stood second in golds, however, University Games-briefs

* They may be 8,000 kilometres or more from home, but some of the athletes at the World University Games feel

like they are the home team anyway.

After its 110-84 victory over Mexico Friday, the Canadian men's basketball team found crowds of Japanese children waiting to take photos and exchange high fives.
"It's like we're celebrities. It's just great," said forward

Guard Keith Vassel added: "It's really flattering because it's not just asking for an autograph. It's like their

eyes light up."

At the U.S. men's opening volleyball game, against Lithuania, hundreds of children waved American flags, and sought autographs and handshakes after the Americans'

straight-games victory.

"That was tremendous to see this kind of reaction from the crowd. It makes us feel like we are home again," said Tom Hoff of Long Beach State.

* South Korea and the United States each had two players advance to the quarterfinals of the men's singles tennis tournament Saturday at the World University

Top-seeded Lee Hyung-Taik of South Korea downed Zheng Yu of China 6-3, 6-4 and his compatriot Yoon Young-Il, the No. seed, ousted Levente Baratosi of

Hungary 6-3, 6-0.

David Caldwell, the No. 8 seed from North Carolina, 11 Pen. defeated Arata Ito of Japan 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 and No. 11 Paul Goldstein of Stanford took more than two hours to beat

New Zealand Andrew Turner 7-5, 6-3. Top-seeded women Wang Shi-Ting of Taiwan and Rika Hiraki of Japan, regular on the women's professional tour, both advanced with straight set victories along with No. 6 seed Kelly Pace of Texas, who scrambled by Marta Alastrue of Spain 6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (9-7). Jane Chi of UCLA was the first American to lose in

singles action, going down 6-2, 6-4 to Kaoru Shibata of

* Italy was the only team with a perfect record at the conclusion of the first round of water polo competition at the World University Games.

#### SPORTS IN BRIEF English clubs facing Russian roulette No new term for Martina

European competition were drawn against Russian opposition on Friday, with Blackburn facing Spartak Moscow in the Champions League and both Manchester United and Liverpool heading behind the old Iron Curtain in the UEFA Cup.

Blackburn's first foray into the European Cup has little glamour with Polish side Legia Warsaw and Norwegians Rosenborg completing their group.

But it does offer the management duo of Ray Harford and Kenny Dalglish an excellent chance to succeed where Arsenal, Leeds and Manchester United failed in reaching the later stages since the ban on English clubs was

Blackburn reacted with cautions optimism to the draw with assistant manager

Tony Parkes saying: "It would appear that we are in a non-glamorous group but we are aware that there

are no soft teams at this level. "We are confident but now it's something of a journey into the unknown. We had a bad experience against parttimers Trelleborgs last season but that won't effect our posi-

"We are the English champions and the English game is still rated very highly. It's going to take a lot of homework on our part over the next few weeks and we are already making plans to watch our opponents in some depth." he added.

tive frame of mind.

Rovers are expected to send a representative to cast

LONDON (AFP) — Three out of the six English clubs in Spartak Moscow and that Spartak Moscow and that could well be the club's new director of football Kenny Dalglish.

In contrast, Rangers were handed an almighty Champions League challenge. The Scottish Champions will face the might of Juventus, Borussia Dortmund and Steaua Bucharest in the group

stages.
That is an awesome test for Walter Smith's side - Paul Gascoigne et al - and Smith said: "It's a very daunting draw but a very interesting one for us. "Both Borussia Dortmund

and Juventus strengthened leagues but at least Juventus have sold Roberto Baggio." he joked. FA Cup holders Everton

have a relatively easy task in Iceland against Reykjavik, while Scottish cup holders Celtic face the unknown Georgians of Dinamo Batu-

But there were contrasting fortunes for England's four UEFA Cup representatives, all former European winners.

Nottingham Forest will rerun the first of Brian Clough's two European Cup triumphs against Swedish side Malmo, while Leeds face Jean Tigana's highly-rated French team Monaco.

But Leeds manager Howard Wilkinson said he was relishing the prospect of pitting his team against Mona-

"What a wonderful spying trip. I am tempted to go on that one myself," he quip-

son who has been personalis-

Rather than criticise the

group of 16 players who made the initial push for de-

certification and who are

plaintiffs in the antitrust suit.

Stern has blamed the in-

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league's labour disruption.

Aug. 30 and Sept. 7 whether

the union should continue to

Players are set to vote on

ing this (dispute) is him."

#### seeded Carlos Costa of Spain seemed pro-

NEW YORK (AP) - With one of her main goals accomplished and the other possibly close to being done, Martina Navratilova will not seek another term as president of the WTA tour players association. "Martina's long history with the Tour and the players was invaluable, and her efforts were most visible in helping to develop the plan for Monica Seles' special ranking consideration upon her return to the tour," Anne Person Worcester, chief executive officer of the WTA, said Thursday. Navratilova's first goal as president was to get Seles back to competitive tennis. Seles victory in last week's Canadian Open was her first tournament appearance since being stabbed in Germany two years ago. Navratilova has also tried to land a sponsor for women's tennis, which has been without one since Kraft dropped its affiliation. She says a sponsor might be in place by the end of the U.S. Open, which begins its two-week run Monday. Navratilova, 38, has said she wants to put her personal life ahead of tennis. "We

respect her decision not to run again," Worcester said. **UAE** driver killed

COWES, Isle of Wight (AP) — Hamed Buhaleeba, one of the United Arab Emirates' most successful sportsmen, was killed Friday in an accident during the world class 2 and 3 powerboat championships. Race officials said Buhaleeba was driving the 32-foot Dubai Victory team catamaran, Victory 1, when it overturned off England's southern coast near Ryde, Isle of Wight. The 30-year-old Buhaleeba was pulled from the boat by aerial paramedics and taken by helicopter to the Royal Navy's vessel Haslar, where he was pronounced dead an hour after the accident. Buhaleeba's brother, Rashid, who was also on the boat, was unburt.

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#### '\$1b for World Cup rights'

BERLIN (AP) — A German-American duo of sports marketing companies is offering \$1 (660 feet) after the start, where the woman billion for world rights for the 2002 World Cup soccer championship to be held in Japan spectators. She was hit by the advance car or South Korea. The amount, said to be four which clears the road for the competition cars. times higher than the marketing figure for the although the other spectators managed to get 1994 World Cup in the United States, was out of the way. The car, driven by Belgian made public Friday by Hamburg-based UFA Rally driver Bruno Thiry, rolled and landed Film and Television, a subsidiary of the upside-down in a ditch. Thiry was not injured. German media giant Bertelsmann. UFA's The 1000 Lakes Rally, which ends Sunday. sports-marketing division is making its offer will continue as scheduled, organisers said. together with the American company IMG, run by Mark McCormack, said UFA spokesman Stefan Thies.

#### Muster cruises past Arrese

UMAG, Croatia (AP) - Top-seeded Tho-

vided a big surprise by beating second-seeded countryman Alberto Berasategui, 6-4, 6-4.

#### Sampdoria lose Zenga

GENOA, Italy (R) — Sampdoria goalkeeper Walter Zenga injured his knee on the eve of the new Serie A soccer season and will not play again this year. Club doctor Gian Maria Vassallo said the 35-year-old former Italy goalkeeper would be unable to play for between four and six months after tearing cruciate ligaments in his left knee in a training session on Friday afternoon. "I went out to stop (Fausto) Salsano, but he sold me a dummy... I don't know what happened next. I tried to change diffection but my left leg froze," Zenga said.

#### Kafeinikov, Rosset in semis

COMMACK, New York (AP) - Defending anced to the semifinals of the Hamlet Cup on Friday night, beating Shuzo Matsuoka of Japan 5-7, 6-2, 6-2. "He served very well in the first set and it was tough to get a rhythm on tthe return," said Kafelnikov, who will face No. 3 Marc Rosset of Switzerland, "In the second and third sets I returned much better." Rosset, 5-0 lifetime against Kafelnikov, beat Cedric Pioline of France 7-5, 6-7 (3-7), 6-1. Rosset was up a service break in the second set, but Pioline broke back and won the tiebreaker to force the third set. Jan Siemerink of the Netherlands will play Renzo Furlan of Italy in the other semifinal. Siemer-ink beat Todd Woodbridge of Australia 6-4, 6-2 and Furlan defeated Malivai Washington

#### Fan killed at 1000 Lakes Rally

JYVAESKYLAE, Finland (AFP) - A 20year-old woman spectator at the 1000 Lakes Rally in Jyvaeskylae, Finland was killed Saturday when she was hit by a car during the

ROME (AFP) - Italian football federation president Antonio Matarrese on Friday said the national side would not play a European qualifying match in Croatia because of his mas Muster of Austria on Friday took only of minutes to crush Jordi Arrese of Spain 6-1, rese, in an interview with Corrière Della Sera on the Oct. 8 match in Split, said: "The Italian third on the ATP list, has already because of fear (of bombardment), but because of fear (of bombardment), but because of fear (Arrigo Sacchi, 1) cause neither me, nor Sacchi (Arrigo Sacchi, against Spanish opponents — and will face Italy's coach) want to play where there is a another Spaniard in the semifinals: fifth- war." However Matarrese is said to be in another Spaniard in the seminals: http://www.richestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestallinestal Gustaisson of Sweden 6-2, 6-3. Tand seed stude Lazio, Said: I would be very unhappy if Andrea Gaudenzi of Italy beat sixth-seeded the fixture was played at Vienna. It would not lavier Sanchez of Spain, 6-2, 6-4. Seventh- ube fair — in fact, it would be absurd."

#### NBA commissioner accuses agent of stirring controversy NEW YORK (AP) — In an ting such superstars as who endorsed the deal after it who I have great respect for." he said. The only per-

escalation of the heated rhetoric surrounding the NBA's labour mess, an angry David Stern on Friday blasted agent David Falk, saying he is "casting aspersions" on some players who have endorsed the proposed labour deal. Five days before players

are to vote on whether to dissolve their union or accept the labour agreement, the NBA commissioner accused Falk of disparaging his own clients and distorting components of the deal. The controversy over the new collective bargaining agreement has divided the players, pit-

Michael Jordan and Patrick Ewing against Karl Malone

Sensational race in prospect

in Belgian Grand Prix

but "frustrated and

Hill, who slid off the track

in his final qualifying run,

said "the car was good on

that lap and now it is going to

be a very interesting race.
"As far as the championship is concerned," said

Hill, who trails the title lead-

er Schumacher by 11 points,

but it was a bit of a messy day

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This is not a total disaster,

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and John Stockton. "He'll stop at nothing," Stern said of Falk, who represents Jordan and Ewing and is a leading proponent of disbanding the players' association and pursuing an anti-trust suit against the league. "He is so intent on killing

trashing his own clients and their negotiations," Stern Falk said, in comments published in Friday's New

York Times, that a number

of prominent NBA players

the deal at all costs, he is

was negotiated Aug. 8 would have been hurt financially if the proposed work rules had been in force when their current contracts were im-

Under the proposed agreement, a veteran with a fouror five-year contract can extend it any time after the third year, getting 20 per cent raises. Previous rules have permitted many players to renegotiate their contracts to obtain multi-million-dollar "balloon payments" near the end of a contract's term. On Friday, Falk said he did

players as Stockton, one of his clients, or Malone, his Utah Jazz teammate, and Houston's Clyde Drexler, both of whom have benefitted from renegotiated contracts with sizable raises. But he said both players were standing by a deal that would hurt other similarly situated players in the future.

Drexler will get \$9.7 million next season via a oneyear extension signed midway through a five-year deal. Falk took issue with what he termed Stern's personal

attacks on him. "I think David Stern is a

very savvy, sophisticated guy

represent them in collective bargaining. Results of the secret ballot vote will be announced Sept. 12.

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# **European Swimming Championships**

# Bleak day for former champions and medallists

VIENNA (R) — Past champions and medallists were scattered in disarray in the hears of the European Swimming Championships on

Germany's former Olym-pic champion Daniels Hunger fell by the wayside at the first stage of her attempt to win the women's 200 metres individual medley for a re-

cord fourth consecutive time. Frenchman Franck Esposito was denied a place in the 200 metres butterfly final by 0.04 seconds, having won the gold medal in 1991 and the silver in 1993.

Lithuanian Raimundas Mazulois, world and European bronze medallist, fell short of a place in the men's 50 metres freestyle final by the same fraction, touching in a below-par 22.95 seconds. ing one place away from qualification for the after-

Britain's Martin Harris, bronze medallist at the last European Championships in Sheffield in 1993, could manage only the 13th-fastest qualifying time in the men's 100 metres backstroke in the 50-metre stadionbad pool. And at the end of the

morning Slovenia's Igor Macen, the 1993 bronze medallist, failed to make the 1,500 freestyle final. But Russian world cham-

pions Denis Pankratov and Alexander Popov suffered no such indignities as they aimed for their second individual titles of the 11-day cham-

Pankratov, who shattered the nine-year-old 100 metres butterfly record on Wednesday, was the only swimmer to crack two minutes in the 200 butterfly heats.

The 21-year-old Russian won in 1:59.20 and looked in the form to put his 1:55.22 world record, set in Canet. France, in June, under

Poland's Konrad Gulka (2:00.09), Chris-Carol Bremer of Germany (2:00.18) and 100 butterfly silver medallist Denis Silantiev of Ukraine (2:00.19) were the next-

Double Olympic gold medallist Popov, who re-tained his 100 freestyle crown on Thursday and anchored the victorious Russian 4x100 freestyle relay on Friday, won his 50 metres freestyle heat in the third-fastest overall time of 22,79.

Britain's world shortcourse champion Mark Foster claimed the fastest qualifying time of 22.66 — 0.02 seconds faster than 1993 European silver medallist Christophe Kalfayan of

Germany's Tino Weber led match in View qualifiers in the men's 100 metres backstocke in 56.01, ahead of Russian Vladimir Selkov.

Spanish world champion Martin Lopez-Zubero is ruled out with a back injury. German former world champion Joerg Hoffmann made a confident start to his attempt to win the European 1,500 freestyle title for the fourth time, leading the qual-

ifiers for Sunday's final. Hungarian Olympic cham-pion Krisztina Egerszegi, who declined to defend her 100 backstroke title, showed alisati^{on} she was still the best at the event in Euorpe by swimming. t at 8:30 p.m.

relay heats more than a second faster than the time with which Denmark's Mette Jacobsen won the individual Van Almsick's interview

CRESCS EDVOST Pranzi Van Almsick is in

trouble again. This time the 17-year-old German swimusing champion is accused of

calling Adolf Hitler her favounte historical figure. In a separate box along with a profile story, Swiss sports weekly Zuericher Sportl lists Van Almsick's "lieblingsfigur" or favourite figures: Among them Amer-

German tennis player Borish Becker and Hitler, In the accompanying interview, the 10-time European

an actor Tommy Lee Jones,

ledges reading "Mein Kampf" (my struggic) and being curious about German

Van Almsick has been known for making blunt statements about life in former East Germany as well as talking about her sex life at 15 with a boyfriend 10 years

happened, especially World War II," the 200-metre frees-tyle world champion and record holder was quoted in the publication. When people talk about Hitler, they al say how evil he was and how many people he killed... in

fact he was quite smart." In German-speaking countries of Europe, Van Almsick is well known and very popular, especially among youth.

# Novotna, Maleeva and Rubin advance to semis

(AP) — Second-seeded Jana Novotna, deprived of her serve and volley game by strong winds, took control in the third set and advanced to the semifinals of the Pathmark Classic with a 6-2, 2-6, 6-0 victory over Iva Majoli on

"I didn't have as many opportunities to come in, the said Novotna, ranked No. 4 in the world. "If it wasn't that windy I'd probably be at the net more. But I was good enough to finish off the point from the back."

In a night match at the Crossroads Corporate Cen-tre, third-seeded Magdelena Maleeva beat Austria's Judith Wiesner 6-2 4-6, 6-4. Maleeva, ranked No. 7 in the world, will play Novotna on the semifinal Saturday. Sixth-seeded Chanda

Rubin will face Ai Sugiyama of Japan in the other semifinal. Rubin beat Marianne Werdel Witmeyer 6-2, 6-1 on Friday. Sugiyama, who upset top-seeded Conchita, Martinez earlier in the week, advanced to the semifinals Thursday by beating Nicole

Bracke of Australia Novotna defeated Majoli ranked a career-high 12th, in the quarter-finals of the Canadian Open two weeks ago in straight sets. The Croatian gave Novoma more of a challenge this time with her blistering groundstrokes. "I started off well in the first set and Iva had a very good run in the second set," Novotna said. "She didn't

miss one ball, she took advantage of me not serving so well. But this is what tennis is all about. You can play well in the first set, your opponent can play even bet-



Bulgaria's Magdalena Maleeva

ter in the second. But the third decides it." In the final set, Novotna broke Majoli in the first game

and never looked back. "If she plays well, she's a dangerous player," Novotna said. "But she's not consistent enough to maintain that form through the whole

match. Majoli, 18, who turned pro in 1991, has beaten all the top 10 players except Steffi Graf and Novoma. Majoli hopes to have another crack at Novotna if both make it to the fourth round of the U.S.

Open.
"I think I want too much when I play Jana," Majoli said. "I want to hit some great shots. I think I should be more patient when I play

For her part, Novotna doesn't want to know who she's meeting at the open, where she lost in the semifinals to Graf last year. At a news conference, Novotna was asked how she would feel

playing Monica Seles.
"I never look at the draw and I'd be pleased if you don't tell me who I have to play," Novotna said. Seles is seeded second in

the U.S. Open and she will play the fifth-seeded Novotna if both reached the quarter-

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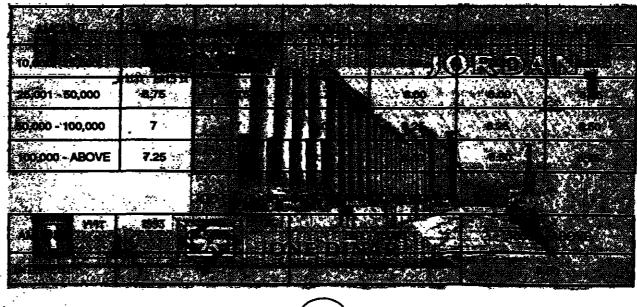
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SARAJEVO (Agencies) -Croatia vowed on Saturday to retake the last major rebel Serb region on its territory either by negotiation or by

"We are faced with the task of liberating... eastern Slavonia. We will quite certainly do this in the coming months either by peaceful means or by a new (opera-tion) storm," said Croatian President Franjo Tudiman.

Eastern Slavonia, which borders on Serbia and Croatia, is a fertile and oilrich region. Diplomats have said a Croatian move against the area could lead to a clash between the Balkan neigh-

Mr. Tudjman spoke shortly before a U.N.-mediated ceasefire between Croat and rebel Serb forces in eastern Slavonia was to take effect on

He then boarded a train to ride through the Knin-Krajina region where his troops crushed rebel Serbs and recaptured a large swathe of territory with "Operation' Storm.'

It was the Croatian army's biggest victory since the Serbs revolted in 1991 and declared their own state. That move came after Croatia broke away from former Yugoslavia.

About 90 British eacekeepers from Gorazde left Belgrade on Saturday on their way home. The last peacekeepers are due out next week, leaving 65,000 Muslims protected from surrounding Serbs only by the threat of North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) air strikes.

Guerrillas

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MARJAYOUN (AP) -

Guerrillas attacked Israeli

forces and their militia allies

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Saturday, wounded a militia-

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morning attacks on the Zim-

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Niha on the northern edge of

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Israeli and SLA artillery

fired some 35 shells on sus-

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around Mashgara, 20

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Hizbollah attacked two

other SLA outposts in the

afternoon, touching off re-

taliatory shelling near the vil-

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No casualties were re-

But an SLA fighter was

wounded in a Hizbollah

bomb ambush inside the

security zone the late after-

noon, the sources reported.

responded with barrages of

artillery fire on suspected

Hizbollah hideouts in nearby

were killed by Israeli troops

Friday as they tried to infil-

The slain fundamentalists

were buried Saturday in

Baalbek, a Shiite stronghold

in the Syrian-controlled Be-

kaa Valley in eastern Leba-

About 3,000 Hizbollah supporters shouting "Death

to America" and "Death to

Israel" marched through the

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Sheikh Mohammad Yaz-

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So far this year, 126 people

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Three Hizbollah guerrillas

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reassure Bosnia that it stood by a promise to defend Muslim Gorazde in the eastern part of the country with NATO air strikes.

"The NATO commitment, the American commitment, the commitment... still applies," Assistant Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke said on Friday.

Major powers meeting in London last month agreed that NATO would carry out air strikes if the Serbs, who have already overrun two other nearby enclaves, tried to seize Gorazde.

Mr. Holbrooke was due to fly to Europe on Sunday to press a new U.S. plan aimed at ending four years of bloodshed in former Yugoslavia but he played down its chances of success.

The U.S. initiative was knocked off track after three top envoys died in a road accident last Saturday on their way to the Bosnian

capital, Sarajevo. U.S. officials launched their initiative hoping to take advantage of a shift in the balance of power in the re-gion after Croatia recaptured a fifth of its territory in the Krajina region with "Opera-

The Washington plan to end the war in Bosnia and the crisis in former Yugoslavia as a whole calls for territorial swaps and would lift sanctions on Serbia if it recognised its neighbours.

Asked about its prospects, Mr. Holbrooke said: "I'm not going to predict success. The success chance is pretty small. In Bosnia, the worstcase scenario usually takes

#### while reported thate a skirmish broke out after Bosnia government soldiers attacked British peacekeepers in Gorazde Friday. The British killed two of the intruders without sustaining casualties A U.N. spokesman, Alexander Wivanko, said the incident involving an estimated 30 soldiers was "an act of banditry." The United Na-

tions lodged a protest to the

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But a late night report by the London-based Press

Association quoted the Brit-

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The Bosnian army's press

office in Gorazde had issued

a statement late Friday saying

that regular forces were not

Gorazde has been named

as territorial bargaining chip

in published accounts of the U.S. peace initiative, even

though the government has

The proposal reportedly

would allow land swaps to

help divide Bosnia between

its Muslim-Croat majority

and rebel Serbs. The govern-

ment would get 51 per cent of Bosnia and the Serbs 49 per

Rebel Serb leader Rado-

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SCIENCE WEEK: His Royal Highess Crown Prince Hassan on Saturday opens the third Jordanian Science Week at the Higher Council for Science and Technology (see page one) (Petra

#### Sudan says it freed all political detainees oners at between 30 and 70

on Saturday announced it had freed 32 political prisoners, including former prime minister Sadeq Al Mahdi, and said the country's jails were now empty of political detainees.

Human rights groups have said the Islamist government holds at least 200 political prisoners.

Dr. Mahdi, the leader of Sudan's biggest party, was given a hero's welcome by thousands of his supporters. He was deposed in a military coup in 1989 led by Lieutenant-General Omar Hassan Al Bashir and has been detained several times

Abdul Basit Sabdrat, minister of culture and information, said Sudan's political prisons were now empty after the release of 19 members of the Umma Party of Al Mahdi, eight members of the Sudan Communist Party and five members of the Baath

Sudanese officials have put the number of political pris-

CAIRO (R) — President

Hosni Mubarak said that all

options — including military

action - remained open in

dealing with Sudan, which

Cairo accuses of hosting ter-

rorists seeking to overthrow

we were forced to resort to

the difficult alternative (milit-

ary action) to protect the

country, we will carry out any

step. I could deal with the

devil" Mr. Mubarak told the

London-based Arabic daily

Al Hayat in a lengthy inter-

view published on Saturday.

Mr. Mubarak said he did

not trust the Sudanese regime

led by Lieutenant-General

Omar Hassasn Al Bashir and

backed by leader of the

National Islamic Front

(NIF), Hassan Al Tourabi.

Egypt has accused Sudan

"All options are open. If

the Egyptian government.

Military option open with Sudan-Mubarak

hosted the suspected terrorists who carried out the assas-

sination attempt. Mr. Mubarak said five militants arrested recently on their way from Sudan to Egypt confessed that they re-

ceived military training with

those who carried out the

attack against him. Egypt's largest militant organisation, Al Gamaa Al Islamiya, has claimed responsibility for the attack against Mr. Mubarak.

The Ethiopian authorities have said that all those who took part in the attack were Egyptians, but the planning took place in a third country which was not named.

Ethiopia has asked Sudan to hand over suspected militants kwho allegedly took part in

Mr. Mubarak said that

Khartoum has ignored the He added that Dr. Toura-

the assassination attempt, but

bi's NIF was running 17 camps where military training is offered to Muslim militants from all over the world. Khartoum denies the existence of such camps and insist

they are farms.
"Now the Sudanese are trying to claim innocence, but their role in supporting terrorism is known for everyone, whether far or close,

Mr. Mubarak said. "We are telling them that extremists whom they are hosting flay a dangerous role against us, and I am warning them. Egypt is a big country and the people are asking for action against them, but I am saying, 'no no'."

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ATHENS (AFP) — Greek divers have found the wreck of the British liner the Britannic, sister-ship of the Titanic, after a two year search in the waters off southern mainland Greece, the Antenna television station reported. The Britannic, which was used as a hospital ship by British forces in World War I, sank with the death of 56 people after being torpedoed by an enemy submarine on Nov. 21, 1916. Its more famous sister, the 46,000 ton Titanic, went down on its maiden voyage after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic in April 1912, with the death of 1,490 people. Its remains were discovered and explored 3,000 metres (10,000 feet) down in 1985. The Olympic, the first of the trio of giant trans-Atlantic liners to be built for the white Star Line, was scrapped in 1935.

#### Singapore's ahosts return to purgatory

SINGAPORE (AP) — The gates of hell closed Friday and Singaporeans bid farewell to the ghosts who lived with them for the last month. Nobody appeared spooked at the end of the Hungry Ghosts Festival — a colourful mix of ancestor worship, Chinese opera, pop concerts and show of wealth in this otherwise prim city of colour-coordinated skyscrapers. Many Chinese believe that the spirits of the dead are let out from hell once a year to stay with living relatives during the seventh month of the lunar calendar. But those without living descendants or those abandoned by their kin wander around, hungry and angry. For one month, giant cylindrical joss sticks painted with red, green and yellow dragons have been burned in most neighbourhoods of Singapore, where 76 per cent of the population of 3.3 million is Chinese. Each year, feasts are held in public housing parks, where roaming ghosts are invited to choose from buffet spreads of chicken, pork, rice and fruit. Later on, the food is also consumed as "wayang," were organised for the dead ancestors at latenight entertainment shows. Now, pop concerts are more common. This year, Singapore's attention was caught by a blond, green-eyed per-former from France who sang fluently in the Chinese Hokkien and Mandarin dialects at several shows. But the best feature of the festival embodying the spirit of weal-

#### Poland approves anti-smoking law

WARSAW (R) - Poland's lower house of parliament overwhelmingly approved a tough anti-smoking law which bans cigarette sales to minors and curbs tobacco advertising. The bill, passed by 335-9 with 28 abstentions, prohibits selling tobacco products to people under 18 years of age and limits smoking in public places to restricted areas. It bans cigarette vending machines and allows local governments to set their own anti-smoking regulations. It also bans tobacco advertising from television, radio, publications for youth, schools, universities, cultural institutions and sporting events. Health analysts say the law is badly needed in Poland, where nearly one third of the population smokes and the annual tobacco consumption reaches 100 billion cigarettes. The bill still needs to clear the Senate and be signed by President Lech Walesa to become law, but neither is expected to oppose

DUBLIN (AFP) — Children too young to drink legally can get an early taste of adult life with a cider-flavoured lollipop and a promise of gin and tonic for Christmas — an invention that has infuriated anti-alcohol groups. Lolly-maker Silver Pail, based in Cork, southern Ireland, said

thy Singapore is the burning of mock currency, television sets, mobile phones, furniture and all other conceivable

# comforts of modern life.

#### Alcoholic lollipops fail to sweeten critics

its lollipops only contain 0.1 per cent alcohol and has already started selling its cider-flavoured version.

#### other territory, as the plan The United Nations mean-Sanaa to deport Swedish officer and Iraqi family contacted by Reuters denied

SANAA (Agencies) — Yemen will deport two Swedish police officers and the Iraqi family the police were escorting to this Arabian Peninsula state, a Yemeni security official said on Saturday.

The Swedish officers, a man and a woman, had brought the four Iraqis to Yemen after the family had been expelled from Sweden. The Iraqis, who had pre-viously lived in Yemen, had chosen to come here rather than return to their homeland.

Fighters of Hizbollah, or Party of God, fired rocket-But Yemen's deputy chief propelled grenades and of state security police, machine-guns at three out-Mohammad Al Surami, told posts manned by the Israelis Reuters the Swedish officers and the South Lebanon and the four Iraqis — a mar-Army (SLA), security ried couple and their children had entered Yemen ille-There were no reports of gally and would be deported. casualties from the early

A Swedish foreign ministry spokeswoman said the two officers had escorted the expelled Iraqi family on Aug. 1. She said that when they

attempted to leave Yemen, authorities seized their passports and prevented them leaving, although they were not taken into custody, she said.

Ms. Surami said the Swedish and Iraqis, who came from Sweden via Frankfurt, were now staying at two hotels in the Yemeni capital Sanaa. But hotel officials

appeared the Iraqis got rid of their Iraqi passports somehow before coming to Yemen and they arrived without passports. The Swedish arrived without entry visas.

they would be deported to Frankfurt or to Sweden. He also declined to give the names of the Iraqis or the Swedes. .

An official, speaking on condition of anonymity, told AFP the Iraqi family of four and the Swedes were to leave for Stockholm via Bonn on a flight Saturday.

them was taken "in agreement with the Swedish authorities, given that the members of the Iraqi family do not have travel documents and have political refugee stathe official said.

He expressed fears, however, that the Iraqis, who lived in Yemen before they went to Sweden, might refuse to travel on from Bonn to

any knowledge of their pre-

Ms. Surami said: "It

"This is against the law and they (the group) will be deported to where they had come from once investigations are completed.

He declined to say whether

The decision to return

tical prisoners in Sudan will He was sitting in front of a four-wheel-drive vehicle with three of his aides sitting in the Wearing a long gown which is the traditional dress of northern Sudan, Dr.

but rights groups said it was

not less than 200, most of

whom are members of the

Umma Party, the Communist

Party of Sudan and the Baath

Zubeir Mohammad Saleh

said the government was cur-

rently working on reaching a national accord. He gave no

Sudan has announced

amnesties and national

accords in the past in a build

to break out of growing inter-

A reporter saw Dr. Mahdi

driven out of the prison in

Khartoum on Saturday, three

days after an announcement

by Gen. Bashir that all poli-

national isolation.

First Vice President Al

Arab Party.

(Continued on page 7)

of being involved in the failed

assassination attempt against

Mr. Mubarak in Addis Aba-

ba last June. Relations be-

tween the two neighbours

have reached their lowest

level in years and a clash in

the disputed border desert

area of Halaib took place

Mr. Mubarak said that a

recent government reshuffle

in Sudan in which officials

known for their close links to

Dr. Tourabi were removed

was a failed attempt to im-

"They want to improve

their image, but the black

picture cannot be improved

and a new picture has to come," Mr. Mubarak said.

tian president repeated

allegations that Khartoum

In his interview, the Egyp-

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against the men's wives. The GIA charges that

Extremists kill 9

ALGIERS (Agencies) --- Ex-

tremists in eastern Algeria

killed the wives of nine local

patrolmen by slitting their

throats and then decapitating

some of them, the dialy Le

It said the incident occur-

red overnight last Saturday at

El Garem near the town of

Mila. Six victims were de-

capitated and the bodies of

the three others were com-

pletely charred. In two of the

cases, the attacks had been

carried out by the victims'

own brother and brother-in-

law who then "dreadfully mutilated" the bodies, the

The local patrols were set

up a few months ago by the

interior ministry aimed at de-

terring armed attacks, but

their members have often

been targeted by extremists

such as the radical Armed

paper added.

Matin reported Saturday.

women in Algeria

Islamic Group (GIA) who recently issued threats rian journalist.

journalist was killed by a (Continued on page 7)

dered the "enemies of God."

Some 371 women have

been killed by Islamic fun-

damentalists since last year

and hundreds of others kid-

napped, tortured or raped,

according to the Algerian security forces.

Meanwhile, another daily, liberte, said Saturday that

300 people were arrested

Wednesday during a sweep

by Algerian police in the

port to the armed groups for

months, in terms of lodgings

and information," the daily said, adding that 20 of the

detained belonged directly to Islamic fundamentalist

The paper noted there had

been an upsurge of violence

in the area over the last few

days, which included the kill-

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# Somalis flood home from refugee camps in Kenya

LIBOI, Kenya (AFP) — As the U.N. refugee agency tries to bring order from the chaos provoked by Zaire's moves to expel the hordes of Rwandans on its territory, it can take heart from a success the

other side of Africa. The Somalis who fled civil war and famine in their country three or four years ago to subsist on humanitarian rations in camps in the middle of nowhere across the border in Kenya have decided it is safe to return home.

While no end is in sight to the anarchy in the Somalia capital of Mogadishu, the general fighting that was feared after the failure of the United Nations peacekeeping exercise has not broken out. Reassuring news brought by truck drivers and cross-

border smugglers prompted

staff of the U.N. High Com-

missioner for Refugees

(UNHCR) to launch a par-

tially assisted voluntary repatriation programme. have been killed and 288 Lists of those who wanted to go home were drawn up, but the UNHCR left most of Arab-Israeli conflict. Twelve the organisation to the repeople have been slain in the fugees thmeselves.

"We are only following the movement, and now we are having to slow it down," said Jean-Claude do Rego, UNHCR field officer at Dadaab, 540 kilometres east of Nairobi.

had 1,400 candidates for 900 As he spoke a fleet of 27 ancient trucks run by private operators waited at the small border post of Liboi to ship home the latest batch of some

"In my camp this week I

2,380 people. "Yesterday we gave them food for three months, and cooking and washing utensils." Mr. do Rego said. "This morning each one gets 30 dollars."

The heads of the various families, which in some cases were adolescents of no more than 14 years old, lined up, exchanging their ration cards for crisp new bank notes, placing a thumb print beside their names in guise of re-

Their faces were serious

and none spoke or gave any

sign of thanks. "That shock-

ed me to begin with, but one

gets used to it," the field

officer said.

"I suppose it's a question of culture: They consider it is

In fact the money did not stay intact for long. The sharp-eyed truck drivers swooped on the refugees as soon as they emerged, de-

greenbacks over and over in his hands. "It's the first time in my life I have touched dollars," he smiled. "How much are they worth?" Mr. Dubet said he was

promised to be better than in the refugee camps. "There are too many prob-lems here," he said. "Robbery, and rape when the women go looking for wood. Even if life is hard, I prefer to

manding \$10 or \$15 to drive them to Doble, the nearest town in Somalia, and more for a longer journey. Mohammad Dubet, 45, turned the small bundle of

going back because he had learned that matters had resolved themselves at Baidoa, his home, and life there-

face that sort of problem in my own country. Some refugees have already gone before on reconnaissance at their own expense, sending back news



Somali refugees are crammed in a truck on other way home after spending

two or threeyears in eastern Kenya (AFP photo)

and letters with the truck "My family is in Buhale, I know they are waiting for us," said Abdullah Abdul Sheikh, 39. "I think the war

will not start up again, and

we can plant for our food." "They know exactly what they are going back to," Mr. do Rego said. "Every week the number of candidates for return increases, and there are no new arrivals, so we can conclude things are reasonable, despite alarming reports on the food situation in

As the diesel engines of the trucks coughed into life and the flowered print dresses of the women crammed into the rear sections flapped in the wind, some of the refugees waved and the children grinned.

But while they said they were happy to be going home, there was still anxiety. A Kenyan police officer detailed to escort the convoy the six kilometres to the border explained that the fare demanded by the truckdrivers included payment for

'protection" to the Somalia clan militia controlling the

For those who did not belong to the clan, or one of its allies, going home via Liboi was too risky, Mr. do Rego said. "For them we are looking at other ways, boat, or

So far more than 28,000 people have returned to Somalia since last December, and the UNHCR, which has a budget of \$12.2 million for 1995, aims to get the figure to 45,000 by the end of this

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